



TOWN OF MANSFIELD
TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
MONDAY, February 27, 2006
COUNCIL CHAMBERS
AUDREY P. BECK MUNICIPAL BUILDING
7:30 p.m.

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REGULAR MEETING-MANSFIELD TOWN COUNCIL-FEBRUARY 13, 2006

Mayor Betsy Paterson called the regular meeting of the Mansfield Town Council to order at 7:35 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Audrey P. Beck Municipal Building.

I. ROLL CALL

Present: Blair, Clouette, Haddad, Hawkins, Koehn, Paterson, Paulhus, Redding, Schaefer

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Clouette moved and Mr. Schaefer seconded to approve the minutes of the January 9, 2006 meeting.

The motion to approve the minutes passed with Ms. Koehn abstaining.

III. MOMENT OF SILENCE

Mayor Paterson requested a moment of silence in honor of the troops serving abroad.

IV. OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE COUNCIL

Joan Lamont, who runs Cats Northeast, spoke in favor of the soon to be proposed spay and neuter ordinance. Cats Northeast is a Mansfield-based nonprofit organization that is concerned primarily with feline overpopulation and its effect on the community. She stated that this ordinance, written for Mansfield at the request of the Animal Control Department, would be very helpful and could serve as a model for other towns.

Mr. Schaefer moved and Ms. Blair seconded to move New Business Item 4, Meeting with State Legislators. Motion so passed.

4. The Mayor welcomed State Representative Denise Merrill and State Senator Donald Williams, thanked them for coming, and asked them to update the Council on the issues before the legislature. Senator Williams, noting that it is a short session this year, discussed some of the issues that he would like to see addressed including jobs, the economy, transportation, and health care. Representative Merrill discussed tax policy noting that tax cuts make most sense when they have a public policy purpose. She also noted that this might be the time to look at issues surrounding transportation, especially mass transit. Both elected officials commented on Governor Rell's proposal regarding the elimination of the

motor vehicle tax and the effect it will have on the state budget, the town budget and individuals.

V. OLD BUSINESS

1. Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for Year Ended June 30, 2005

Mr. Schaefer moved, effective February 13, 2006, to accept the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for Year Ended June 30, 2005 as presented by the Department of Finance.

Motion so passed

2. Fenton River

No Report

3. Campus/Community Relations

No Report

VI. NEW BUSINESS

4. Meeting with State Legislators

Already completed

5. Proclamation in Honor of the Mansfield Middle School Clean Energy Team

Mr. Schaefer moved, and Ms. Blair seconded, effective February 13, 2006, to authorize the Mayor to issue the attached Proclamation in Honor of the Mansfield Middle School Clean Energy Team.

Mayor Paterson and Ms. Koehn will make arrangements with the Middle School to present the proclamation to the students involved in the project.

Motion so passed.

6. Fenton River and Mt. Hope River Greenway Designations

Ms. Koehn moved and Ms. Blair seconded, resolved, effective February 13, 2006 to issue the attached resolution endorsing Mansfield's participation in the nomination of the Fenton and Mt. Hope River corridors as state greenways. Mr. Clouette questioned the appropriateness of the word "issue" in the motion and suggested that it be changed to

“approve.” Both the maker of the motion and the seconder agreed with the correction.

Motion as amended passed.

7. Grant application to Recreational Trails Program

Mr. Schaefer moved and Mr. Clouette seconded, resolved, effective February 13, 2006, to authorize the Town Manager, Martin H. Berliner, to submit an application not to exceed \$49,800 from the Connecticut Department of Environmental Protection’s Recreational Trails Program to expand the Willimantic River Greenway/Blueway trail and public information system at Mansfield’s River Park on Plains Road in Mansfield. In furtherance of this resolution alone, the Town Manager is duly authorized to enter into and sign said contracts on behalf of the Town of Mansfield. The Town Manager is further authorized to provide such additional information and execute such other documents as may be required by the state or federal government in connection with said contracts and to execute any amendments, rescissions and revisions thereto.

Motion so passed.

8. State Matching Grant Program for Elderly and Disabled Demand Responsive Transportation

Mr. Paulhus moved and Mr. Schaefer seconded, resolved, effective February 13, 2006, to authorize the Town Manager, Martin H. Berliner, to submit an application to the State Matching Grant Program for Elderly and Disabled Demand Responsive Transportation. In furtherance of this resolution alone, the Town Manager is duly authorized to enter into and sign said contracts on behalf of the Town of Mansfield. The Town Manager is further authorized to provide such additional information and execute such other documents as may be required by the state or federal government in connection with said contracts and to execute any amendments, rescissions and revisions thereto.

Motion so passed.

9. Social Services Block Grant Contract

Mr. Clouette moved and Ms. Koehn seconded, resolved, that Town Manager, Martin H. Berliner, is empowered to enter into and amend contractual instruments in the name and on behalf of the town with the Department of Social Services of the State of Connecticut for a Social Services Block Grant program, and to affix the corporate seal of the town.

Motion so passed.

10. Market Feasibility Study for Assisted Living

A presentation on the market feasibility study for assisted living will be presented at the next meeting.

11. Grant Agreement for Alternative Fuel

Mr. Haddad moved and Ms. Koehn seconded, effective February 13, 2006, to authorize Director of Public Works, Lon R. Hultgren, to execute the attached "Agreement between the State of Connecticut and Town of Mansfield for a Cash Grant toward the Purchase of Alternative Fuel Motor Vehicles."

Mr. Hultgren noted that this will be the third alternative fuel car that the town owns and that his department is tracking fuel and upkeep cost on these cars in order to compare them with the other fleet cars. Once additional data has been gathered a report will be presented to the Council. Initial indications show that the alternative fuel cars are cost effective in higher mileage vehicles and possibly less effective in lower mileage cars.

Motion so passed.

12. WPCA, Community Sewer System Agreement for Valley Mobile Home Park

Mr. Haddad moved and Mr. Schaefer seconded to recess as the Town Council and convene as the Water Pollution Control Authority.

Motion so passed.

Ms. Blair moved and Mr. Hawkins seconded, effective February 13, 2006, to authorize the Town Manager to execute the attached Agreement between the Town of Mansfield and Valley View, LLC.

Motion so passed.

Mr. Haddad moved and Mr. Paulhus seconded to adjourn as the Water Pollution Control Authority and reconvene as the Town Council.

Motion so passed.

Mayor Paterson requested a motion to add the Financial Statements dated December 31, 2005 to the agenda. Ms. Blair moved to add the item, seconded by Mr. Schaefer, the motion passed.

Mr. Paulhus moved and Mr. Schaefer seconded, to refer the Financial Statements dated December 31, 2005 to the Finance Committee for review.

Motion so passed.

VII. DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

No Reports

VIII. REPORTS OF COUNCIL COMMITTEES

Ms. Redding, Chair of the Committee on Committees, outlined the long-range plan that they have adopted. This plan includes a staff person, an e-mail system to announce and keep track of appointments, and an organizational plan to appoint and notify citizens. The Mayor thanked Mary Stanton and Matt Hart for their assistance.

Ms. Koehn, Chair of the Special Committee Regarding the Establishment of a Charter Revision Committee, noted that the Committee would start interviewing candidates in early March. They currently have 13 applicants and the cutoff date is February 17, 2006.

IX. REPORTS OF COUNCIL MEMBERS

Mr. Hawkins attended the kickoff event for the University of Connecticut's 125 Anniversary and noted that the Mayor gave a very good positive speech at the event. Mr. Schaefer agreed.

Mr. Paulhus and Mayor Paterson attended the League of Women Voters Breakfast with the Legislators.

Mr. Schaefer noted that the Friends of the Mansfield Library netted \$17,500 from the recent book sale.

Ms. Koehn and Mayor Paterson attended the Mansfield Middle School for the presentation of the 100th sign up for the Clean Energy Program. She noted that Chad Vincente, one of the student leaders, made a wonderful presentation and that she and Ms. Koehn will return to present the proclamation passed earlier this evening.

The Mayor and the Town Manager will attend the Council of Small Towns Annual Meeting on February 14, 2006.

John DeStefano, Mayor of New Haven, will be coming to town on Saturday February 18, 2006 to a public forum on Early Childhood Education. At a later date Dan Malloy, Mayor of Stamford, and possibly Governor Rell will be in attendance at similar community forum events. All of these potential gubernatorial candidates will be available for questions from the public.

Ms. Koehn spoke about a letter she received from Dolly Whitham regarding the inclusion of the yellow barn in the University's 125 Anniversary Celebration. Mr. Schaefer and the Mayor, both members of the Anniversary Committee, will raise the issue at the next meeting.

X. TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT

Marty Berliner, the Town Manager, announced that the Town/ University Relations meeting would be February 14, 2006 at 4:00p.m.

The Eastern Highland Health District Board Meeting will be on February 16, 2006.

XI. FUTURE AGENDAS

Ms. Koehn requested that Earth Day events be added to a future agenda. Earth Day is on April 22nd this year. She suggested that an event be planned in accordance with the Council's commitment in the Clean Energy Program.

XII. PETITIONS, REQUEST AND COMMUNICATIONS

13. CT Department of Economic and Community Development re: Municipal Development Plan for Storrs Center
14. C. van Zelm re: Proposed Permitting Process for Storrs Center
15. C. van Zelm re: December 31, 2005 Progress Report for the Downtown Revitalization and Enhancement Program
16. C. van Zelm re: Final Report for the Downtown Mansfield Revitalization and Enhancement Project and Final Request for Reimbursement
17. CATS Northeast re: Spay/Neuter Ordinance – Ms. Blair noted that Joan Lamont's organization raises over \$50,000 per year from donations.
18. CT Department of Environmental Protection r: Approval of Mansfield's Aquifer Protection Area Regulations.
19. Journal Inquirer, "Aussie Outfit Buying up Hundreds of Units"
20. Mansfield Community Center, "Even More Family Fun"
21. M. Berliner re: Appointment to the Conservation Commission
22. State Elections Enforcement Commission re: Pilot Program for Public Financing of Municipal Elections

23. Storrs Center Preliminary Schedule
24. Hartford Business Journal – “Biggest Developments in the Hartford Region”
25. UConn Office of the Vice President and Chief Operating Officer re: Appointment Capital Project Planning Advisory Committee

XIII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mr. Haddad moved and Ms. Redding seconded to go into Executive Session.

Motion so passed.

Executive Session

Ms. Blair moved and Ms. Koehn seconded to move out of Executive Session.

Motion so passed.

Mr. Clouette moved and Mr. Paulhus seconded to adjourn the meeting at 9:42 p.m.

So passed unanimously.

Elizabeth Paterson, Mayor

Mary Stanton, Town Clerk



Town of Mansfield

Proclamation in Honor of the Mansfield Middle School Clean Energy Team

Whereas, in July 2005 the Town of Mansfield officially joined Connecticut's clean energy campaign; and

Whereas, as an environmental project for their 7th grade special studies class Nick Briere, Nic Dinsmore, Justin Enis and Chad Vincente formed a Clean Energy Team and focused on enrolling a minimum of 20 Mansfield residents to sign up for the CTCleanEnergyOptionsSM program, in order to realize the 100 residential signup threshold needed to qualify the town to receive a free 1kW solar energy system; and

Whereas, the Clean Energy Team created an informational flyer on clean energy and distributed the flyers to all Mansfield public schools, and reinforced those efforts by e-mailing town employees and encouraging them to support clean energy by signing up for the program through their local utility provider; and

Whereas, on Friday, February 3, 2006 at the Mansfield Middle School open gym night, team-member Chad Vincente pushed Mansfield over the top by signing up the 100th customer for the CTCleanEnergyOptionsSM program, thereby qualifying Mansfield for a free 1 kW solar energy system from the Connecticut Clean Energy Fund; and

Whereas, the Team's efforts have earned Mansfield the distinction of becoming the first eastern Connecticut town to achieve the 100 residential signup threshold under the CTCleanEnergyOptionsSM program:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that I, Elizabeth C. Paterson, Mayor of Mansfield, Connecticut, on behalf of the Town Council and the citizens of Mansfield do hereby issue this proclamation in honor of the Mansfield Middle School Clean Energy Team. Thank you for your excellent work!

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have set my hand and caused the seal of the Town of Mansfield to be affixed on this 13th day of February in the year 2006.

Elizabeth C. Paterson
Mayor, Town of Mansfield



*Town of Mansfield
Certified Resolution*

*"To Endorse Mansfield's Participation in the Nomination of the Fenton and Mt. Hope
River Corridors as State Greenways"*

I, Mary L. Stanton of the Town of Mansfield, a Connecticut municipality, do hereby certify that the following is a true and correct copy of a resolution duly adopted at a meeting of the Town Council of the Town of Mansfield duly held and convened on February 13, 2006, at which meeting a duly constituted quorum of the Town Council was present and acting throughout and that such resolution has not been modified, rescinded or revoked and is at present in full force and effect:

WHEREAS, the Fenton and Mt Hope Rivers and their related tributaries, associated headwaters, water bodies and open spaces provide significant benefits to our communities, including surface and ground drinking water, angling and kayaking opportunities, wildlife habitat, connections to hiking trails, and protection of our landscape and cultural heritage; and,

WHEREAS, the Town of Mansfield's 2005 Plan of Conservation and Development includes the recommendation to "encourage establishment of a state-designated greenway encompassing the Fenton, Mount Hope and Natchaug Rivers and Naubesatuck Lake (Mansfield Hollow);" and

WHEREAS, the Town is actively engaged in protection of open space along the Fenton's and Mt Hope's watercourses and/or adjacent to other open space along the watercourses, including ownership and conservation management of large parcels such as Schoolhouse Brook Park and Coney Rock Preserve; and

WHEREAS, significant additional lands along these watercourses are owned by other public and private entities, including the US Army Corps of Engineers, the University of Connecticut and Joshua's Trust, for the sake of open space preservation or conservation; and

WHEREAS, the Nipmuck Trail runs along much of the Fenton River in Mansfield, providing ready public access to the recreational opportunities along the River; and

WHEREAS, application packages are also in preparation for a Natchaug River Greenway, which will connect with the proposed Fenton and Mount Hope River Greenways, and which will connect with additional greenways across the state and beyond:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mansfield Town Council to support the concept of working regionally to link and protect open space and natural resources by endorsing Mansfield's participation in the nomination of the Fenton and Mt Hope Rivers and their tributaries as state greenways; and to commit to providing an educational mailing to the landowners along the main stem of the Fenton River and Mt Hope Rivers, at the time when funds are available, that will address the intention and extent of the greenways and may also provide some additional information regarding best management practices in the riparian zone of a river.

FURTHERMORE, BE IT RESOLVED to authorize Mansfield's Town Manager to submit this resolution and Mansfield's endorsement of the greenway nominations to the Naubesatuck Watershed Council, which is coordinating the initiative for the corridor towns.

Mary L. Stanton
Town Clerk

Date

AGREEMENT
BETWEEN THE STATE OF CONNECTICUT
AND
TOWN OF MANSFIELD
FOR A CASH GRANT TOWARD THE
PURCHASE OF ALTERNATIVE FUEL MOTOR VEHICLE(S)
FHWA GRANT NO. CM-000R(298)
STATE PROJECT NO. 170-2488

THIS AGREEMENT, concluded at Newington, Connecticut, this _____ day of _____, 200_, by and between the State of Connecticut, Department of Transportation, Stephen E. Korta, II, Commissioner, acting herein by H. James Boice, Bureau of Public Transportation, duly authorized, hereinafter referred to as the STATE, and the Town of Mansfield, a public body or eligible private nonprofit or for profit corporation federally approved pursuant to the Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century, as amended, having its principal place of business at 4 South Eagleville Road, Mansfield, Connecticut 06268, acting herein by Lon R. Hultgren, Director of Public Works, hereunto duly authorized, hereinafter referred to as the Second Party.

WITNESSETH, THAT:

WHEREAS, the Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century, as amended, authorizes funds for federal-aid highways, highway safety programs, transit programs, and for other purposes; and

WHEREAS, the Federal Highway Administration (hereinafter referred to as FHWA) has designated the State of Connecticut as grant recipient for Federal funds under the Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century, as amended; and

WHEREAS, the Governor of the State of Connecticut, in accordance with a request by FHWA, has designated the Commissioner of the Department of Transportation to evaluate and select projects/programs proposed by public bodies or eligible private nonprofit and for profit corporations that would result in improved air quality in the State of Connecticut; and

WHEREAS, the STATE has determined the Second Party's proposed project/program to purchase alternative fuel vehicles and/or particulate filters for diesel engine vehicles would result in improved air quality and thereby qualifies the Second Party for federal assistance; and

WHEREAS, the STATE will utilize grant funds to reimburse the Second Party for the incremental cost of their alternative fuel vehicle purchases and/or purchase of particulate filters for diesel engine vehicles; and

WHEREAS, the Second Party is responsible for all costs associated with the operation of their alternative fuel vehicle(s) including maintenance, repair, fuel or fueling facilities, insurance and administration; and

WHEREAS, the STATE, pursuant to Subsection (a) of Section 13b-34 of the Connecticut General Statutes, as revised, is authorized to enter into an Agreement with the Second Party providing for the distribution of Federal funds and State funds (if available) to enable the Second Party to purchase equipment solely for the hereinabove stated purpose, and in connection therewith, the Bureau Chief, given the authority to execute Express Findings by the Commissioner of Transportation, has made an Express Finding as is required by Section 13b-35 of the General Statutes of Connecticut, as revised.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants herein set forth, the STATE and the Second Party agree as follows:

1. **Incremental Cost:** is defined as the purchase cost of the alternative fuel vehicle, minus the cost of a conventionally powered vehicle of comparable make and model.

2. **Agreement of the Parties:** The purpose of this Agreement is to provide funds for the incremental cost of alternative fuel vehicle purchases and/or particulate filters for diesel engine vehicles to improve air quality by encouraging the use of alternative fuel vehicles and particulate filters as described in the Program Summary of the CT Alternative Fuel Program, which is incorporated herein by reference (hereinafter referred to as the Project and/or Program) and as described in the Funding Request submitted by the Second Party which is incorporated herein by reference (hereinafter referred to as the "Funding Request"). This Agreement will state the terms, conditions and mutual understanding of the parties as to the manner in which the Project/Program will be undertaken and continued.

3. **Term of Agreement:** The STATE will maintain a fiduciary interest in the vehicles for a period covering 24 months of their operation, commencing on the date that each vehicle is purchased and/or placed into active service, or up to 100,000 miles of each vehicle's operation. During this period, the Second Party will provide the STATE or its agents with an annual certification stating whether the vehicles are still in operation and citing the most recent odometer readings for the vehicles. The Second Party will also participate in interviews with the STATE and its agents so that the STATE can obtain information on the performance of the vehicles.

4. **Scope of Project/Program:** The Second Party hereby agrees to accept, subject to all herein contained terms and conditions, a Cash Grant not to exceed the amount of Four Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$4,500), hereinafter referred to as the "Grant", to be used exclusively to reimburse the Second Party for the incremental cost of one (1) alternative fuel vehicle(s), hereinafter referred to as the "Project Equipment".

5. **Purchase of Project Equipment:** The purchase of all Project Equipment financed in whole or in part pursuant to this Agreement shall be undertaken by the Second Party, and shall be purchased in accordance with applicable State law and the standards set forth in Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circular A-102, Attachments "O" and "N", incorporated herein by reference.

The Second Party may order the Project Equipment in advance of receipt of a fully executed Agreement in order to expedite the delivery of the Project Equipment; however, this action shall be taken entirely at the risk of the Second Party. The STATE shall not incur any liability prior to the execution of this Agreement and its approval as to form by the Attorney General of the State of Connecticut. The failure of the Second Party to comply with the conditions set forth herein relieves the STATE from any and all liability under this Agreement.

Proof of purchase shall consist of a dated manufacturer's or vendor's invoice naming the Second Party as recipient of the Project Equipment, fully identifying the Project Equipment, marked as "Paid in Full" and signed by an official representative of the manufacturer or dealer. The invoice will also contain the vehicle supplier's statement which attests to the incremental cost of the alternative fuel options of each vehicle.

Failure to meet any conditions imposed by this Agreement will result in a return to the STATE of the Grant by the Second Party.

6. Payment to the Second Party: Upon full and proper execution of this Agreement and upon receipt by the STATE of a manufacturer's or vendor's sales agreement for the Project Equipment stating the incremental cost of the vehicle(s), along with proof of insurance in accordance with article 9, paragraph (b), the STATE shall make available to the Second Party a Cash Grant not to exceed Four Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$4,500). All vehicles must be placed into service by December 30, 2006.

The Grant will be the maximum contribution by the STATE. Additional costs for the Project Equipment will be borne by the Second Party.

The Second Party agrees that the receipt of funds under this Agreement is subject to all controls and conditions imposed by this Agreement and the relevant Federal and/or State regulations.

The Second Party agrees that the terms of this Agreement do not constitute a loan but rather a grant for the specific purposes contained herein.

The Second Party agrees it is not authorized to allow funds appropriated under this Agreement to be used to pay its creditors unless the creditor incurred an expense specifically authorized by this Grant and relevant Federal and/or State regulations.

The STATE will reimburse the Second Party for the dollar amount of the incremental cost stated on the vehicle invoice, unless that amount exceeds the amount approved by the STATE and specified in the Agreement between the STATE and the Second Party. In cases where the invoice amount exceeds the amount stated in the Agreement, the STATE will reimburse the Second Party for the approved amount stated in the Agreement.

Failure to meet any conditions imposed by this Agreement or the STATE's approval of the Funding Request will result in a return to the STATE of the Grant by the Second Party.

7. **Americans With Disabilities Act:** This clause applies to those second parties who are or will be responsible for compliance with the terms of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 ("Act"), Public Law 101-336, during the term of the Agreement. The Second Party represents that it is familiar with the terms of this Act and that it is in compliance with the Act. Failure of the Second Party to satisfy this standard, as the same applies to performance under this Agreement, either now or during the term of the Agreement, as it may be amended, will render the Agreement voidable at the option of the STATE upon notice to the Second Party. The Second Party warrants that it will hold the STATE harmless and indemnify the STATE from any liability which may be imposed upon the STATE as a result of any failure of the Second Party to be in compliance with this Act, as the same applies to performance under this Agreement. The Second Party shall be responsible to ensure that all Project Equipment meets specifications mandated by the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (ADA) and Section 14-97b of the Connecticut General Statutes.

8. **Ownership, Title and Registration of Project Equipment:** The Second Party shall assume ownership of the Project Equipment and such Project Equipment shall be in the name of the Second Party subject to the restrictions on use and disposition as set forth herein. For the duration of this Agreement, the Second Party shall not transfer ownership of the Project Equipment to any third party without prior written approval of the STATE. Project Equipment shall be registered in accordance with all applicable rules and regulations of the Connecticut Department of Motor Vehicles.

9. **Use of Project Equipment:** The Second Party agrees that the Project Equipment shall be used in the manner described in the Funding Request for a period of time covering 24 months of the Project Equipment's operation, commencing on the date that the Project Equipment is purchased and/or placed into active service, or up to 100,000 miles of each vehicle's operation. If during such period, the Project Equipment is not used in this manner or the Second Party becomes insolvent, the Second Party shall immediately notify the STATE.

In further consideration of the use of said Project Equipment, the Second Party shall:

- (a) Guarantee that, at no cost or expense to the STATE, said Project Equipment shall be operated safely and regularly maintained throughout the term of this Agreement in accordance with the maintenance and inspection schedule supplied by the manufacturer of the Project Equipment.
- (b) Secure and maintain motor vehicle liability insurance coverage for personal injury and property damage of not less than One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000) per accident or occurrence so as to protect the STATE in awarding the Grant and the Second Party as the purchaser, owner and operator from all losses relative to the Project Equipment. Such insurance shall be provided at no cost to the STATE.

The STATE shall be named as an additional insured party at no direct cost to the STATE. Each insurance policy shall state that the insurance company shall agree to investigate and defend the insured against all claims for damages, even if groundless.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have set their hands and seals on the day and year indicated.

WITNESSES:

STATE OF CONNECTICUT
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
Stephen E. Korta, II, Commissioner

Name:

By: _____ (Seal)

H. James Boice
Bureau of Public Transportation

Name:

Date: _____

TOWN OF MANSFIELD

Name:

By: _____ (Seal)

Lon R. Hultgren
Director of Public Works

Name:

Date: _____

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Attorney General
State of Connecticut

Date: _____

KENNETH HODDINOTT d.b.a. VALLEY VIEW, L.L.C.

Water Pollution Control Authority
Town of Mansfield

Community Sewer System
Operation and Maintenance Agreement

This agreement made and entered into on the 26th day of January, 2006, between:

The Mansfield Water Pollution Control Authority, hereinafter referred to as the "WPCA" and

The owner, Kenneth Hoddinott, doing business as "Valley View, L.L.C.", hereinafter referred to as the "OWNER".

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, the OWNER has made application to the WPCA to construct and operate a privately owned, operated and maintained community sewer system to serve 21 units, with a maximum flow of 8400 gallons per day, to be constructed on land of the OWNER, located on the west side of Stafford Road (Connecticut State Highway Route 32) in the Town of Mansfield, Connecticut, and

WHEREAS, Section 7-246f (a) of the Connecticut General Statutes places the ultimate responsibility for ensuring the effective management of this community sewerage system with the WPCA and Section 7-246f (b) authorizes the WPCA to act upon default on behalf of the OWNER, and

WHEREAS, the WPCA and the OWNER are desirous of assuring that this private community sewerage system is operated and maintained in accordance with all applicable federal, state, and local regulations and Section 7-246f (a) of the Connecticut General Statutes.

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual promises herein contained, each to the other, the parties agree as follows:

A. The OWNER agrees:

1. to construct the private community sewerage system at his own expense in accordance with the following referenced plan sheets, entitled: "Valley View, LLC, Site Plan, Merrow Road and Stafford Road, Mansfield Connecticut, date 11/01/2004, revised 9/19/05, revised 9/28/05, revised 10/28/05, revised 11/03/05, scale 1" = 100' ", prepared by The Center, LLC Architects & Engineers, sheets 1,2 and 3 of 3.
2. to operate and maintain the private community sewerage system in accordance with all conditions of this agreement and all applicable federal, state, and local standards, regulations and laws pertaining to sanitary sewerage systems, and in accordance with standard maintenance practices as defined in the current edition of the Water Pollution Control Federation's Manual of Practice No. 7, entitled "Sewer Maintenance" and to secure the services of a mutually agreed upon engineering firm to report on said operation and maintenance as outlined herein.

B. OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE FUND

1. The OWNER agrees to establish an escrow fund with the WPCA for the operation and maintenance of the community sewerage system, said fund to be called the OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE FUND, the fiscal year of said fund will be July 1 to June 30. The OWNER shall pay into this account forthwith one full year's estimated operation and maintenance cost for the sewerage system, including the full year's estimated cost of the services of a mutually acceptable engineering firm to review and report to the WPCA on the operation and maintenance of the system, and repair and maintenance work as recommended by said firm, and any direct costs incurred by the Town of Mansfield in carrying out its responsibilities herein established, or \$ 3000.00 , whichever is more. Thereafter, an annual payment shall be made on September 1, the amount of which shall be set by the Director of Finance after review of the preceding fiscal year's operating and maintenance expenses. This payment shall be sufficient to cover the foregoing expenses for that current fiscal year.
2. Payments shall be made out of the Operation and Maintenance Fund by the Town of Mansfield Director of Finance only. Payments for operation, maintenance and engineering as recommended in Section C.1 above, shall be disbursed from the fund only when requests for payment are accompanied by appropriate invoices and detailed descriptions of the work accomplished, and requests are submitted within 90 days of actual date of completion of work. Alternatively, the OWNER may leave the original fund intact without either drawing the fund down and replenishing it annually to adjust for Operation and Maintenance expenses as set forth in Section C.1. In this case the OWNER shall pay the costs of Operation and Maintenance directly but will still be responsible for complete reporting to the WPCA as described herein. Direct costs incurred by the Town of Mansfield for administration, management and or enforcement of the provisions herein established shall be deducted from the fund based on vouchers submitted by the Department of Public Works provided that said vouchers shall be made available to the OWNER for their review, and only after written notice of default has been delivered to the OWNER and the OWNER has not corrected all deficiencies pertaining to provisions herein established within 60 days after such notice. However, in the event of an emergency where public health regulations may be violated by a system malfunction, the Town retains the right to act immediately on behalf of the OWNER and to charge the OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE FUND for any reasonable costs incurred by the Town related to the emergency.
3. The OWNER agrees to make an additional interim payment in the event that the foregoing expenses during the year exceed the available balance in the OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE FUND. In that event, no payment shall be made from said fund for said expenditures until such time as said interim payment has been received from the OWNER equal to or greater than the estimated remaining fiscal year expenditures, as determined by the Town of Mansfield Director of Finance.

C. SINKING FUND

1. The OWNER agrees to establish a SINKING FUND with the WPCA to provide for the replacement of major components of the community sewerage system at the end of their estimated serviceable life, as set forth in Schedule "A" and Schedule "B", appended hereto. Said fund is to be called the SINKING FUND, and interest income shall accrue to the fund. Payments into this SINKING FUND are to be made annually commencing on the July 1 first occurring after the signing of this Agreement in an amount which shall be established to reflect cost of replacement, serviceable life, and - 17 - in construction costs, as set forth in Schedule "A" and Schedule "B", appended hereto.

into the SINKING FUND, and the total amount which is on deposit in said account shall be reviewed annually to assure that:

- a. the amount of the annual payment is sufficient to provide for the ultimate replacement of said major components at the end of their estimated serviceable life without providing for the collection of excess monies, and,
 - b. the bases upon which said replacement cost is estimated, as set forth in Schedule "A" and Schedule "B", appended hereto, remain true.
2. Payments from the SINKING FUND shall be only for capital items meeting the tests of:
- a. Minimum dollar cost

The item shall represent a major expense not readily chargeable to the OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE FUND, and
 - b. Serviceable Life

The expenditure shall be for items which extend the serviceable life of the system, and not for items which represent ongoing repair and maintenance items.
3. Each such invoice chargeable to the SINKING FUND and meeting the above tests shall be accompanied by a certification from the engineering firm representing the OWNER, insuring that the above provisions are met, and shall be approved by the WPCA. Requests for payment shall be submitted to the Town of Mansfield and each invoice shall be accompanied by a detailed description of the expense incurred. Funds will be disbursed out of the SINKING FUND by the Town of Mansfield Director of Finance only, in accordance with provisions stated herein
4. Each fund provided for herein shall be in the name of the Town of Mansfield. Withdrawals shall be made only by the Finance Director of the Town of Mansfield upon invoices submitted to him by the OWNER or, in the event of default by the OWNER as provided for herein, by the WPCA.

D. REPORTING

1. The OWNER shall forward to the WPCA, semi-annual operation and maintenance reports of any and all routine, emergency, and preventive maintenance work done on the system, whether by the OWNER'S own forces or by contracted services, and any and all work recommended to be done on said system. Said report shall be written in a form approved by the WPCA and shall be timely submitted to the WPCA, on the first business day of January and July. The report shall be prepared by the OWNER and shall use Manual of Practice #7 described in paragraph A.2 above as a guide for reporting. An Annual Report shall be prepared by a mutually agreed upon Engineering firm and shall use Manual of Practice #7 described in paragraph A.2 above as a guide for reporting.
2. The OWNER shall furnish the WPCA with copies of all reports and notices filed with or received from the State or any other agencies, persons or firms regarding the system's operation, maintenance or condition upon receipt by the OWNER.

3. The OWNER shall operate and maintain the system utilizing maintenance services provided by the OWNER to the extent that said semi-annual reports provided to the WPCA by the OWNER show satisfactory operation and maintenance of the system on a continuing basis, otherwise, if unsatisfactory to the WPCA such maintenance and operation of said system shall be contracted with a mutually agreed firm qualified to operate said system and to perform required maintenance on said system.
 4. The OWNER shall comply in all respects with the provisions of Section 7-246 f of the Connecticut General Statutes, including any necessary revision to this Agreement that may arise from shared use of the major system components by other users added to the system after the date of signing of this Agreement.
- E. The OWNER shall obtain a permit to discharge as provided by Section 22a-430 of the Connecticut General Statutes, and the OWNER shall certify to the WPCA and the Building Official of the Town that a permit to discharge has been obtained.
- F. Both Parties agree:
1. That it is not intended that the WPCA will own or operate or maintain said community system unless there is a default by the OWNER, or by their heirs, successors, or assigns, in which event, the WPCA may take whatever steps are necessary to operate the system in conformity with this Agreement and the applicable federal, state, and local standards, regulations, and laws as set forth in paragraph B above and especially Section 7-246f (b) of the Connecticut General Statutes, in which event the WPCA shall have an irrevocable power to contract in the name of the OWNER for the purpose of operating and maintaining the system, and in the event that such Operation and Maintenance Escrow Fund is insufficient for such purposes, then the WPCA may assess such deficiency against the OWNER. There shall be a delinquency charge of one percent per month, together with reasonable attorney's fees, administrative costs and all other costs in the event that it becomes necessary for the WPCA to collect any unpaid assessment.
 2. The parties recognize that the Connecticut Department of Environmental Protection and other federal and state agencies may have jurisdiction over said community sewerage system and its operation and may have the final decision as to whether corrective actions or changes are made. Any such actions or changes agreed upon by the parties are subject to such regulatory agency's approval.
 3. The parties recognize that notwithstanding the term of this Agreement, the provisions of Chapter 103 of the Connecticut General Statutes and, in particular, Section 7-246(f) of the General Statutes control the actions of the parties regarding the community sewerage system and that, where in conflict with the terms of this Agreement, the provisions of the statute shall prevail.

G. TERM AND ASSIGNABILITY:

This agreement shall run with the land, be binding upon the DEVELOPER'S and OWNER'S heirs, successors and assigns and shall be recorded in the Mansfield Land Records.

WITNESSES:

WPCA

by _____
Name

its _____
(Title)

WITNESSES:

Susan D Pacific Case
Susan D Pacific Case

OWNER

by *[Signature]*
Name

its *member/manager*
(Title)

State of Connecticut)
County of Tolland) ss. Mansfield

(WPCA)

On this the _____ day of _____, 20____, before me, _____,
the undersigned officer, personally appeared _____,
who acknowledged himself to be the _____ of _____, a corporation, and
that he as such _____, being authorized to do so, executed the foregoing instrument for
the purposes contained therein, by signing the name of the corporation by himself
as _____.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and seal.

Name

Title

State of Connecticut)
County of Tolland) ss. Mansfield
New Haven

Orange

(OWNER)

On this the 2 day of Feb., 2006, before me, Susan D Pacific Case
the undersigned officer, personally appeared Kenneth Hoddinott,
who acknowledged himself to be the member/manager of Valley View (a corporation, and
that he as such _____, being auth - 20 -) do so, executed the foregoing instrument for
the purposes contained therein, by signing the name of the corporation by himself

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and seal.

Susan D Pacific Case
Name
district manager
Title

SUSAN D. PACIFIC CASE
NOTARY PUBLIC
MY COMMISSION EXPIRES APR. 30, 2009

Valley View, LLC

Schedule "A"

Estimated Replacement Cost of Major Components of System

<u>Item #</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>unit price</u>	<u>cost</u>
1.	116 3050 Infiltrators	\$130.00	\$15,080.
2.	1 ¼" Stone 600 tons	\$20./ton	\$12,000.
3.	2 zone valve	\$300.00	\$ 300.
4.	2 Distr. box, 1 inlet 7 outlets	\$ 55.00	\$ 110.
5.	Fabric filter 7200 sq.ft.	lump sum	\$ 1,850.
6.	900 lf 4" schedule 40 pipe	lump sum	\$ 1,000.
7.	22 end plates for 3050 infiltrators	\$ 35.00	\$ 770.
8.	14 schedule 40 elbows	\$ 5.00	\$ 70.
TOTAL COST			\$ 31,180..

Projected basis of replacement cost at end of useful life:

- a. Estimated useful life is 25 years.
- b. Annual increase in construction costs is estimated at 5% per year.
- c. Therefore, the cost of replacement of the system after 25 years will be $(\$31,180. \times (1.05 \wedge 24)) = \$100,558.62$. Assuming that 50% of the system will fail in the 25 year period, replacement cost will be $\$100,558.62 \times 0.50 = \$50,279.31$.

SPECIAL MEETING-MANSFIELD TOWN COUNCIL-FEBRUARY 20, 2006

Mayor Betsy Paterson called the special meeting of the Mansfield Town Council to order at 7:00 p.m.

I. ROLL CALL

Present: Blair, Clouette, Haddad, Hawkins, Koehn, Paterson, Paulhus, Schaefer
Absent: Redding

Mr. Paulhus moved and Mr. Schaefer seconded to go into Executive Session.
Motion so passed.

II. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Personnel Issues

III. ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Clouette moved and Mr. Paulhus seconded to adjourn the meeting at 7:45 p.m.
Motion so passed.

Submitted by

Betsy Paterson
Mayor

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**Town of Mansfield
Agenda Item Summary**

To: Town Council
From: Matt Hart, Assistant Town Manager *MHart*
CC: Martin Berliner, Town Manager
Date: February 27, 2006
Re: Market Feasibility Study for Assisted Living

Subject Matter/Background

As scheduled, on Monday night Susan Brecht and Beth Wills from Brecht Associates will make a presentation regarding their completed market feasibility study for assisted living. At the presentation, Susan and Beth will review their findings in some detail, and will take questions from the Town Council and audience.

Recommendation

I imagine that we will receive some questions from the audience regarding the Town Council's plans with respect to the study and an assisted living project. Staff recommends that the Council carry this item forward for discussion at one of its March 2006 meetings, so that we can discuss the potential options in more detail.

TOWN OF MANSFIELD



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(860) 429-3330

Mr. Jason Sirois, Environmental Analyst II
State Department of Public Health
410 Capitol Avenue, MS#51 WAT
Post Office Box 340308
Hartford, CT 06134

February 16, 2006

Re: University of Connecticut Water Supply Plan, January 2006 Addendum

Dear Mr. Sirois:

Mansfield officials have reviewed the University of Connecticut's January 2006 Addendum to its 2004 Water Supply Plan. Particular attention has been given to the responses to comments made by the Town and our consultant engineer on June 6, 2005. The following supplemental comments are being sent to representatives of the State Department of Public Health and University of Connecticut for consideration:

1. Mansfield officials appreciate the opportunity provided by the University to submit supplemental comments, as well as the comprehensiveness of the University's responses to all comments that were submitted on the draft 2004 Water Supply Plan. We are pleased that demand information has been updated and all identified issues, including recommendations contained in the recently-completed draft Fenton River wellfield/habitat study, have been addressed. The University's commitment to expanding ongoing water conservation and metering programs and to both long-term and short-term improvement plans, including a short-term wellfield operations plan analysis, will further ensure that a safe and adequate supply of potable water will be available for present and future users. As expressed in the Town's June 6, 2005 letter, Mansfield officials pledge our continued cooperation in helping to protect wellfield aquifer areas and working with University representatives on water supply issues of mutual interest.
2. The submitted Water Supply Plan is designed to address existing needs and future demands as currently identified by the University. The off-campus demand assumptions include the planned Storrs Center Downtown mixed-use project, but do not include potential service to other areas near the campus. Officials from the University and the Town have had productive discussions regarding potential off-campus developments that could be mutually beneficial, and the Water Supply Plan's commitment to reevaluating system demands and capabilities as new information becomes available is considered a critical element of the plan.
3. At Mansfield's request, Milone and MacBroom, Inc. was asked to review the January 2006 Addendum with respect to their previously-submitted June 6, 2005 report. The attached February 8, 2006 letter from Jeanine Armstrong Bonin notes that the supplement "either directly addresses or provides a plan to address

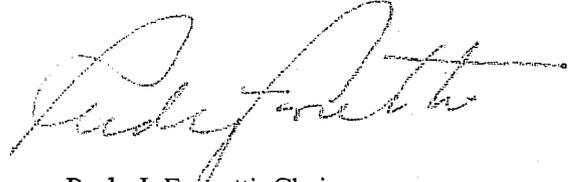
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the items included in our prior review.” Ms. Bonin’s letter compliments the contents of the addendum, but does note a 2008 projected peak day issue that should be addressed. She also indicates that “consideration of alternative emergency or peaking supply sources would be prudent.”

If you have any issues regarding these comments, please contact Mansfield’s Director of Planning, Gregory J. Padick, at (860) 429-3329.



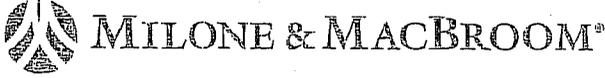
Elizabeth C. Paterson, Mayor
Town of Mansfield



Rudy J. Favretti, Chairman
Mansfield Planning & Zoning Commission

cc: James Okrongly, DPH Drinking Water Division
Linda Flaherty-Goldsmith, Vic-Pres./Chief Operating Officer, Univ. of Connecticut
Thomas Callahan, Special Assistant to the President, Univ. of CT
Richard Miller, Director of Environmental Policy, Univ. of CT
Eugene Roberts, Director of Facilities Operations, Univ. of CT
George Kraus, Dir. Architectural & Engineering Svcs., Univ. of CT
Paul Ritsick, Ritsick Engineering
Barbara Buddington, Director, Windham Region Council of Governments
Mansfield Town Council
Mansfield Planning & Zoning Commission
Mansfield Conservation Commission

Engineering,
Landscape Architecture
and Environmental Science



February 8, 2006

Mr. Lon R. Hultgren, P.E., Director
Town of Mansfield
Department of Public Works
Four South Eagleville Road
Mansfield, CT 06268-2599

**RE: Review of UConn Water Supply Plan Amendments
Mansfield, CT
MMI #2111-01**

John M. Milone, P.E.
James G. MacBroom, P.E.
Vincent C. McDermott, F.A.S.L.A.
Robert A. Jackson, L.S.
John R. Gibbons, P.E.
Edward A. Mori, P.E.
Rodney I. Shaw, L.A.
Thomas R. Sheil, L.A.
David R. Bagg, P.E., L.S.
Stephen R. Dietzko, P.E.
David W. Dickson, L.A.
Jennifer A. Bonin, P.E.
Thomas J. Daly, P.E.
W. Andrew Greene, P.E.
Darin L. Oraton, P.E.
Anthony A. Ciriello, P.E.
Nicole Bombardieri, P.E.
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Ken W. Kheba, P.E.
Penelope B. Santolucito, L.A.
Kishor Paul, P.E.
James F. Kalpa, P.E.
Ted G. Gansford, P.E.
Azalea A. Mlich, P.E.
Steven D. George, P.E.

Dear Lon:

As requested, Milone & MacBroom, Inc. (MMI) has reviewed the extensive record of comments and responses relative to the University of Connecticut's November 2004 Water Supply Plan (the Plan). Comments on the Plan were made by various organizations and individuals in June of 2005, including comments from the town of Mansfield. State agency review comments were issued in the fall of 2005.

The University, working through its consultant, has responded to all comments in a package of amended pages (dated January 25, 2006), submitted by Ritsick Engineering. The additional information and expanded analysis contained in the new material is very useful and it either directly addresses or provides a plan to address the items included in our prior review.

Of particular interest and importance is the University's recent and ongoing metering program. Given the extreme complexity of a diverse and transient population, a complete metering program will provide much needed data regarding the magnitude and distribution of water demands, both on and off campus. It will also enable a meaningful assessment of unaccounted for water to assess potential leakage and loss.

The adjusted demand projections appear to be congruent with other sources of information, including the adjusted projection for the proposed Storrs Center development. As in the previous edition of UConn's Water Supply Plan, very little expansion of off-campus service is planned and, therefore, average day demands are not projected to increase significantly through time. Average day demand in 2003 was reported as 1.289 mgd. This value is projected to increase by approximately 0.5 million gallons per day to a projected 1.704 mgd in 2008 and 1.792 mgd by the year 2020. Given that available water is 2.85 mgd, this results in an average day margin of safety that is well above minimum industry recommendations. Similarly, peak month margin of safety is above the minimum that is typically recommended for water systems, both now and through the year 2020.

Mr. Lon Hultgren
February 8, 2006
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The peak day demand for the UConn system in 2003 was reported as 2.19 mgd. By the year 2008, projected peak day demands are forecast at 3.31 mgd, thus exceeding both the present day available water of 2.85 mgd and the registered diversion of 3.152 mgd and will, therefore, need to rely on water that is stored in tanks in order to meet these demands. Careful consideration should be given to the trend of peak days, since these demands could not be sustained for an extended period of time. Additionally, consideration of alternate emergency or peaking supply sources would seem prudent.

Finally, UConn's commitment to reevaluating its system demands and capabilities in light of the pending Fenton River Study and near-term demand trends is a critical element of the Plan. Implementation of a system-wide metering program, along with annual water balance assessments and completion of a comprehensive water audit (as planned), will serve to guide UConn's future supply alternatives and water conservation efforts.

If we can be of further assistance in this review, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Very truly yours,

MILONE & MACBROOM, INC.



Jeanine Armstrong Bonin, P.E.
Principal

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Item #2

**Town of Mansfield
Agenda Item Summary**

To: Town Council
From: Matt Hart, Assistant Town Manager *MWH*
CC: Martin Berliner, Town Manager; Gregory Padick, Director of Planning
Date: February 27, 2006
Re: Fenton River

Subject Matter/Background

Attached please find the supplemental comments from Mayor Paterson and Chairman Favretti regarding the University of Connecticut Water Supply Plan. The comments do incorporate the suggestions from Milone & MacBroom, the town's consulting engineer. Along with Mayor Paterson, staff will be available at Monday's meeting to address any questions that the Town Council may have concerning this item.

Attachments

- 1) E. Paterson and R. Favretti re: University of Connecticut Water Supply Plan, January 2006 Addendum

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**Town of Mansfield
Agenda Item Summary**

To: Town Council
From: Matt Hart, Assistant Town Manager *MWH*
CC: Martin Berliner, Town Manager
Date: February 27, 2006
Re: Campus/Community Relations

Subject Matter/Background

Below please find a brief report concerning the following items:

- Action plan – attached please find a draft action plan that details how we hope to accomplish the goals and objectives outlined by the town council's committee on community quality of life, and other entities. We would appreciate any comments the council may have regarding this item.
- Hillyndale Road neighborhood – Jane and Michael Howard and other residents of the Hillyndale Road organized and facilitated a meeting to review the neighborhood's concerns with respect to the conversion of single-family homes to student rentals. The meeting was well attended, and the residents and staff in attendance engaged in a constructive dialogue. Staff will continue to monitor the Hillyndale Road neighborhood and other areas adjacent to campus, and we encourage residents to contact our police department and staff with complaints and other concerns. We believe that one of the more successful tools that we can employ to address these issues is to meet directly with students living off-campus in order to review neighborhood concerns, and to discuss the ramifications of problem behavior.
- Housing code – in consultation with the town attorney, staff is proceeding with the preparation of the housing code. We plan to present the code to the town council for its first meeting in March 2006.
- Mansfield Community-Campus Partnership – the partnership continues to meet on a regular basis, and is working on various initiatives related to legislation and outreach.
- Off-campus services – as reported previously, the university is in the process of identifying options to enhance the services it provides to students living off-campus. We should know more within the next month or so concerning the university's plans for this item.
- University Spring Weekend 2006 – the various public safety and emergency services entities involved with spring weekend, including the town's emergency management advisory council, have begun their respective planning efforts. Mayor Paterson and town staff plan to meet with Commissioner Boyle from the Connecticut Department of Public Safety, to thank the commissioner and the department for their commitment to the Town of Mansfield and to discuss plans for this year.

Please let me know what questions or concerns you might have regarding this subject.

Attachments

- 1) Community-Campus Relations Workgroup, Action Plan Summary

**TOWN OF MANSFIELD/UNIVERSITY OF CONNECTICUT
Community-Campus Relations Workgroup**

Action Plan Summary - February 27, 2006

Goals

1. Promote and maintain a safe and healthy environment for the community, including the student body.
2. Mitigate the impact of spring weekend and other problem behavior upon the community by eliminating or dramatically reducing violence, alcohol and drug violations, injuries to persons, damage to property, and other related nuisances.
3. Dramatically reduce and control nuisance behavior such as noise, littering and vandalism plaguing the Hunting Lodge Road neighborhood in the vicinity of Carriage House and Celeron Square Apartments.
4. Encourage and promote positive relations between students living off-campus and their neighbors. Help to foster a positive "student experience" for those attending the state's flagship university.
5. Reduce substance abuse in the community. Encourage students and others to "party smart," without harm to themselves and to other people.
6. Protect the safety of tenants and improve and maintain the quality of rental housing in town.
7. Reduce and control the impact of large parties and problem behavior upon municipal, regional, state and university public safety and emergency services. Ensure that there is an adequate level of public safety and emergency services available to meet the needs of the community at all times.
8. Establish and maintain regular relations between town, state and university staff and public safety agencies to address issues relating to off-campus housing and other student activities.
9. Help residents to maintain property values in areas of town populated with and adjacent to rental housing.

Town of Mansfield Strategies

Strategy #1 - Increase law enforcement presence in affected areas of town, to build good working relationships with residents (including students), to enforce the criminal code and town ordinances, and to maintain public order.

No.	Action Step	Responsibility	Timeline	Status
1	Implement weekend patrols (Thursday – Saturday) in affected neighborhoods, particularly during warm weather months.	Town Police	Ongoing	Implemented over past 2 years with positive results. Bike patrols are particularly successful means of patrol.

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2	Establish community liaison officer position with responsibility to develop relationships with residents, student residents, landlords and university.	Town Police/TMO	Oct 2005 – July 2006	Town has appointed Officer Marchon to this position. However, additional staff resources are necessary to allow Off. Marchon to devote more time to this task. Staff will propose the creation of an additional full-time officer position as part of the FY 2006/07 budget.
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Strategy #2 - Work with the management of Carriage House, Celeron Square and other landlords to discourage problem tenant behavior, and to make their premises a less attractive location for large parties.

No.	Action Step	Responsibility	Timeline	Status
1	Encourage landlords of large complexes to hire police officers on private duty to control large parties and other potentially harmful activities and behavior. (Celeron Square exempt as falling within UConn jurisdiction.)	Community Liaison Officer	Ongoing	Carriage House has hired town officers on private duty for several years, with positive results.
2	Meet with management of various complexes and other landlords to review issues and problems, and to recommend various solutions. Group meetings or a landlord's council may be more efficient.	Community Liaison Officer/TMO	TBA	Town has met with Aspen Square (Carriage House) in the past, but not recently. Town has not conducted meetings with other landlords. Celeron Square is looking to build phase IV. Also, ING has bought much of current stock and plans to expand when and where appropriate.

Strategy #3 - Increase and maintain enforcement of zoning regulations, to ensure proper levels of unit occupancy and to improve and maintain the physical condition of rental properties.

No.	Action Step	Responsibility	Timeline	Status
1	Increase and maintain zoning enforcement efforts in affected neighborhoods of town.	Zoning Agent	Ongoing	Town has increased level of enforcement over past two years. What is recent status?
2	Consider additional staffing, such as part-time citations officers to patrol neighborhoods.	Director of Planning/TMO	Jan – May 2006	New item

Strategy #4 - Develop and implement various nuisance abatement ordinances and regulations, to assist with law enforcement activities, to protect public health, to improve and maintain the physical appearance of properties, and to maintain property values in neighborhoods.

No.	Action Step	Responsibility	Timeline	Status
1	Draft and implement an ordinance regulating the possession of alcohol by minors.	TMO/Town Attorney/Police	Complete	Town council amended ordinance most recently in September 2004. Ordinance has been used sparingly – encourage police to use more frequently.
2	Draft and implement an ordinance regulating litter. Consider additional staffing, such as part-time citations officers to patrol neighborhoods.	TMO/Town Attorney/ Recycling Agent	Complete	Town council adopted ordinance in March 2005. Recycling agent has used successfully to date.
3	Review noise, special police and open container ordinances to determine if documents need any improvement.	TMO/Police/Town Attorney	March – June 2006	New item
4	Research other nuisance abatement ordinances in place in university towns around the nation to determine feasibility of adopting such ordinances in Mansfield.	TMO/Town Attorney	March – June 2006	New item

Strategy #5 - Develop and implement a housing code for certain types or all residential rental property in town to protect the safety of tenants and to improve and maintain the quality of rental housing in the community. Include a rental certificate program for greater Storrs area.

No.	Action Step	Responsibility	Timeline	Status
1	Draft ordinance	TMO/Bldg Official/Town Attorney	Jan 2005 – June 2006	ATM and building official have prepared revised draft for town attorney to review. Also, review draft with university staff.
2	Develop budget to implement housing code enforcement program	TMO/Bldg Official	Sep 2005 – June 2006	Building official has prepared draft – ATM and TM need to review. Also, review budget with university staff and look for funding sources.
3	Present ordinance and budget to town council for review and action	TMO	March - May 2006	Town attorney is reviewing draft ordinance. TMO is reviewing proposed budget.
4	Hire staff and implement program for Fall 2006.	TMO/Bldg Official	July – Dec 2006	Future item

Strategy #6 - Produce and distribute a model lease and fact sheet for landlords and tenants to promote positive relations, to discourage problem behavior among tenants and to protect the rights of both parties.

No.	Action Step	Responsibility	Timeline	Status
1	Draft model lease and make available on town's website.	Fair Housing Officer/Town Attorney	March – June 2006	New item

Town of Mansfield and University of Connecticut Strategies

Strategy #7 - Develop and maintain regular contacts between town, state and university staff and public safety agencies to work cooperatively to address public safety and quality of life issues concerning off-campus housing.

No.	Action Step	Responsibility	Timeline	Status
1	Town and university police to examine feasibility of establishing a task force to address quality of life issues via community policing techniques.	TMO/University Staff/Town and UConn PD	Feb – May 2006	SGT Cox has begun work on a proposal.
2	Town's community liaison officer to develop working relationship with UConn PD and Dean of Students.	Town and UConn PD/ Dean of Students	Ongoing	New item
3	Determine whether UConn PD can enforce various town ordinances, such as possession of alcohol by minors and open container.	Workgroup/ Town and UConn PD	Jan – March 2006	New item

Strategy #8 - Develop and implement various strategies to mitigate the impact of spring weekend and related problem behavior upon the Mansfield community as a whole. Ensure that there is an adequate level of public safety and emergency services available to meet the needs of the community at all times.

No.	Action Step	Responsibility	Timeline	Status
1	Emergency management advisory committee to develop a proposal to implement more of a unified incident command system for Spring Weekend 2006. Review proposal with appropriate UConn and state personnel.	EM Advisory Com/TMO	Jan – May 2006	Advisory committee is working on a proposal to establish a forward command post for all major entities, including state police, and town and university public safety entities.

Strategy #9 - Promote and support the efforts of the Mansfield Community-Campus Partnership (MCCP).

No.	Action Step	Responsibility	Timeline	Status
1	Promote and support efforts of the MCCP	Town and University Staff/MCCP	Ongoing	MCCP established in late 2004, and has recently established a number of sub-committees to address various issues such as legislation, programming and advocacy

Strategy #10 – Assist the university with the establishment of a center for off-campus services to provide any number of services to students living off-campus, including programs designed to promote positive relations between students and the larger community. Also as part of the proposed center for off-campus services, develop and implement an off-campus housing certification program to promote the establishment of quality rental housing, to assist students with locating quality housing, and to help landlords market rental properties to students.

No.	Action Step	Responsibility	Timeline	Status
1	Prepare proposal to establish center for off-campus services. Review with appropriate town and university personnel.	Associate DOS	Sep 2005 – May 2006	University staff working on a proposal.

Strategy #11 - Examine the feasibility of partnering with the university to extend water and sewer to promote density and off-campus housing in the Hunting Lodge Road/Carriage House Drive/Celeron Square neighborhood and other areas adjacent to the university.

No.	Action Step	Responsibility	Timeline	Status
1	Hire engineering firm to examine feasibility of extending university water and sewer connections down Hunting Lodge Road.	TBA	TBA	Future item

Prepared by: M. Hart



Item #4

**Town of Mansfield
Agenda Item Summary**

To: Town Council
From: Matt Hart, Assistant Town Manager
CC: Martin Berliner, Town Manager; Jeffrey Smith, Director of Finance
Date: February 27, 2006
Re: Budget Review Calendar for Fiscal Year 2006/07

Subject Matter/Background

Attached please find the proposed Budget Review Calendar for Fiscal Year 2006/07. The calendar is similar to the schedule the town council has used in previous years.

Recommendation

Staff recommends that the town council adopt the calendar as presented, with the understanding that we may need to modify the schedule if issues arise during the review process.

The following motion is suggested:

Move, effective February 27, 2006, to adopt the Budget Review Calendar for Fiscal Year 2006/07, as presented by town staff.

Attachments

1) Budget Review Calendar for Fiscal Year 2006/07

TOWN OF MANSFIELD
 PROPOSED BUDGET REVIEW CALENDAR
 BY TOWN COUNCIL
 2006/2007

DATE	SUBJECT	LOCATION
Mar. 27 (Mon.) 6:00 PM	Budget Presented to Town Council Issues and Options General Government	Council Chambers
Mar. 29 (Wed.) 6:00 PM	Town-Wide Public Safety Revenues Operating Transfers Out Debt Service Internal Service Funds	Council Chambers
Apr. 3 (Mon.) 6:00 PM	Public Works Solid Waste Capital Projects CNR Town Aid	Conference Room C
Apr. 5 (Wed.) 6:00 PM	Mansfield Board of Education Daycare	Council Chambers
Apr. 10 (Mon.) 6:00 PM	Public Hearing Health and Social Services Community Services	Council Chambers
Apr. 12 (Wed.) 6:00 PM	Library Area Agency Contributions Community Development Recreation	Council Chambers
Apr. 24 (Mon.) 6:00 PM	Adoption of Budget and Recommended Appropriations	Council Chambers
Apr. 26 (Wed.) 6:00 PM	Adoption of Budget and Recommended Appropriations (if necessary)	Council Chambers
May 9 (Tues.) 8:00 PM	Town Meeting	Mansfield Middle School

MINUTES

Mansfield Advisory Committee on Persons with Disabilities

Regular Meeting - Tuesday Jan. 24, 2006

2:30 PM - Conference Room C - Audrey P. Beck Building

- I. Attendance: S. Thompson, K. Grunwald (staff), T. Miller, Wade Gibbs, John Jackman
- II. There being no quorum of members, an informational meeting was held, and approval of the minutes of Nov. 29, 2005 was carried over until the Feb. 28, 2006 meeting.
- III. A proposed Policy Memorandum from the Town regarding ADA Policy and Grievance Procedure was distributed for comment from the Committee. Members will forward comments within two weeks to Mr. Grunwald.
- IV. a. John Jackman presented information regarding preparation plans for people with disabilities during times of disaster and emergency. This information is available on the Town's website and T. Miller suggested that it be sent to those persons identified

on the At Risk list, which is maintained by the Town Social Services Dept. S. Thompson suggested that the information also be sent to those identified as contact persons for people on the At Risk list, and also somehow be sent to those persons receiving the Senior Sparks.

Questions were raised as to methods of evacuation and shelter for those persons with severe mobility issues (wheelchair and bedridden). It was stated that emergency services are utilized within priorities, and that each person should have a plan in place involving provision of personal needs by personal caregivers, in order to place less reliance on emergency services which might be needed by the public, as a whole. Preparedness is the key.

Other suggestions were made regarding coordination and sharing of resources with other entities, such as UCONN and Bergin Correctional Institution.

b. K. Grunwald attended the Dec. 6 Forum on Disaster Preparedness for Persons with Disabilities and reported on lessons learned from the Southern hurricane this year. Persons with disabilities were

disproportionately affected, and this has prompted efforts to plan more diligently, should there be a repeat of any such disaster.

The informational session adjourned at 3:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Sheila Thompson

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**TOWN/UNIVERSITY RELATIONS COMMITTEE
COMMITTEE MEETING
Tuesday, December 13, 2005
Audrey P. Beck Municipal Building
Council Chambers**

Minutes

Present: P. Barry, T. Callahan, B. Clouette, R. Miller, AJ Pappanikou, E. Paterson,
G. Zimmer

Staff: JM. Berliner, M. Hart, L. Hultgren, C. van Zelm

1. Opportunity for Public to Address the Committee

None.

2. October 11, 2005 Meeting Minutes

Mr. Clouette made a motion, seconded by Mr. Zimmer, to approve the minutes from September 13 and October 11, 2005. The motion passed unanimously.

3. WRTD Fare Free Program Demonstration

Lon Hultgren, Mansfield's Director of Public works, conducted a presentation regarding the fare free program. His presentation reviewed the following subject areas:

- Origin and history of the fare free program
- Budget contributions
- Who the program serves
- Prepaid fare contributions
- Fare free effect on ridership
- Trip purpose
- Increasing ridership
- How fare free works
- Per trip cost v. contributions
- Bus systems in other communities
- Commitment

Mr. Barry asked if the route includes stops for shopping, hospitals and banking? Mr. Hultgren replied that the route does include stops for these reasons, and staff is looking to extend service along Route 6 in North Windham.

Mr. Callahan suggested that the committee would be interested to see the expense side of the budget. Mr. Berliner also asked if there are certain industry standards to compare our program against.

Mr. Pappanikou asked if the statistics are calculated by semester? The stats are calculated on a monthly basis. Mr. Pappanikou also asked if the buses are accessible. The buses are accessible.

Mr. Callahan pointed out that we need to be cognizant of the fact that the growth in ridership may not be keeping pace with the increase in our population.

Ms. Paterson emphasized the importance of the fact that the program serves many people who do not own personal vehicles.

Mr. Clouette asked if the routes include the major student apartment complexes. They do not, but the UConn shuttle handles those locations. Mr. Clouette also commented that numbers alone do not tell the story of the success of this program. Service and flexibility are key.

4. Update re: Mansfield Downtown Partnership

Cynthia van Zelm reported that both the Mansfield Town Council and the UConn Board of Trustees have unanimously approved the proposed municipal development plan for Storrs Center. The next step will be to begin work on the special design district for submission to the planning and zoning commission.

Mr. Barry asked whether the new 1A building would be permanent? The building will be permanent.

Mr. Zimmer asked where the new 1A building would be located. The building will be located behind the Health South building.

5. Community-Campus Partnership

Matt Hart reported the partnership is in the process of forming four standing committees: legislative initiatives; partnership promotion; recommendations; and outreach on alcohol and other drug issues. The standing committee structure will hopefully allow the partnership to work more effectively to address various issues.

Ms. Paterson complimented Mr. Hart and Ms. Bell-Elkins for their assistance to the partnership to date. Mr. Pappanikou asked if the partnership had assigned a staff member to each standing committee, in order to provide continuity. Mr. Hart replied that the partnership has appointed at least one town or university staff member to each standing committee.

6. Community Quality of Life Issues/Spring Weekend

Mr. Hart reported on the draft housing code and the center for off-campus services. In its current draft form, the code will apply to the entire town with respect to complaints. However, the code will also carry certain license provisions that apply to an overlay zone encompassing the greater Storrs area. Under the license to rent program, the landlord will need to pass an inspection for each dwelling unit to receive a license for that unit. The code will exempt certain properties, such as those owned by UConn, or that are age-restricted. Units owned by the Mansfield Housing Authority or that are less than six years old will be exempt from the license to rent program. The town hopes to introduce the code for fiscal year 2006/07.

University staff, particularly Julie Bell-Elkins and Sam Miller, has taken the lead on the design of a proposed center for off-campus services. The center could potentially offer housing referrals and ratings, as well as other related support services. The university may attempt to provide these services with existing staff.

Mayor Paterson asked if commuting students could be assessed a small fee to help fund the center. Mr. Callahan thought that it would be unlikely that the university could assess commuters only, and would probably need to extend the fee to the entire student body.

7. Update re: Uconn Water System

Mr. Callahan reported that the university was making progress with its efforts to address the issues involving its water system. Currently, staff is in the process of finalizing a request for qualifications to select a private management company, and the draft has been circulated to the town and the Connecticut Department of Public Health for comment.

Ms. Paterson asked if the university would continue to own the infrastructure but hire an outside manager to administer the operation? This is a possibility.

Mr. Pappanikou asked if at some point in the future the entire operation were to be sold to a private company, would the university need to pay for the service? The university would probably need to pay for water if it sold the infrastructure to a private entity.

Ms. Paterson inquired about the Willimantic River aquifer, and if the university increases its draw upon the Willimantic, are there studies that show the watershed could accommodate that increased demand? Mr. Callahan replied that the university had not conducted as rigorous an analysis for the Willimantic as of yet.

Mr. Miller reviewed some of the recent issues regarding the Fenton River. Unfortunately, the university's peak demand on that aquifer typically occurs during times of low flow. If, because of low flow, the university needs to cease to draw from

the Fenton for a period of time, the university will need to have strong diversion and conservation measures in place. UConn has made progress with respect to conservation, saving about 150,000 gallons per water per day. The university has engaged the services of a conservation consultant, and needs to expand its outreach to students living off-campus. Conservation is where we will see the most significant reduction in usage.

8. 2006 Town/University Relations Committee Meeting Dates

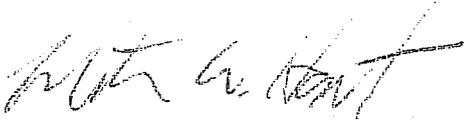
The committee accepted the proposed schedule, to continue to meet at 4:00 PM on the second Tuesday of every month, with no meeting scheduled for January or July 2006.

9. Other Business

None.

The committee meeting adjourned at 5:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Matthew W. Hart
Assistant Town Manager

Town of Mansfield
 Transportation Advisory Committee
 Minutes of the Meeting
 May 24, 2005

Present: Stephens (chair), Nash, Zimmer, Hultgren (staff)

The meeting was called to order by Chair Stephens at 7:33 p.m.

The Minutes of the November 23, 2004 meeting were approved on a motion by Zimmer/Nash.

Hultgren reported on the meetings of the UConn Master Plan Committee, correspondence from the UConn Transportation office and circulated a "safe kids" bicycle newsletter.

The Fare Free program was discussed. UConn has agreed to fund the program through '05-'06, but needs clear data illustrating its benefit to UConn if it is to continue funding beyond '05-'06. Hultgren and Nash will meet with the Transit Administrator to review this data (ridership) collection effort. Hultgren also noted that WRTD's operator contract was up June 30th and a new operator of the system was a possibility.

Zimmer updated members on the Downtown Partnership project noting that plans were still being developed but should be reviewable this summer.

Hultgren updated committee members on current projects:

Route 44 bikeway (under construction); Separatist Road bikeway (still obtaining easements - proposed start date June 20th); Hunting Lodge Road bikeway (design this year); Hillside Circle pathway (scheduled for late this year); Maple Road reconstruction (to begin in June); Clover Mill Loop reclamation (out to bid); Chaffeeville/Rt. 195 intersection (in design at DOT); Route 89 at Mt. Hope Road (in design at DOT); Moulton Road speed humps (still being discussed/reviewed by the Traffic Authority); Birch Road roundabout (scheduled for construction this year); Stone Mill Road & Laurel Lane bridge replacements (100% funding grants applied for); Dodd Road bridge replacement (still in design - 2006 construction); Hunting Lodge Road culvert replacement (still waiting UConn's final design and DEP permits).

Hultgren circulated UConn's new campus bicycle map which was developed this past year as a student project for the Transportation Institute. He said that the Mansfield bike map should be updated as well and that staff would be working on this this year. Zimmer suggested a path to the new Downtown from Hanks Hill Road through the E.O. Smith fields should be considered, as well as a path from the new proposed end of Monticello Road through to Flaherty Road.

Zimmer suggested the motor pool bikepath be swept earlier this year - he said that sand and broken glass made it impassible in early May of this year.

Hultgren handed out draft copies of the Town's update to the Plan of Development and asked for comments back before the proposed June public hearing.

Hultgren distributed a map of the Rt. 195/89/Browns Road intersection and said that pedestrian/bike access through this intersection was being reviewed by the Traffic Authority.

Nash reported that he had attended the Connecticut Public Transportation (CPT) public hearing and spoke of the Fare Free Program, the DTP project and transit in general for the region. Koehn asked that the committee draft a letter to the CT PTC to underscore this message. Hultgren and Nash will help with this letter.

The next meeting will be scheduled as needed.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lon R. Hultgren
Director of Public Works

cc: Town Manager, Town Clerk, Town Planner, Assist. Town Engineer, Project Engr., Social Services Dir., J. Freniere,

MEMORANDUM
11/30/05

TO: Transportation Advisory Committee Members
(Stephens, Nash, Koehn, Hall, Zimmer, Taylor, Aho)

FROM: Lon R. Hultgren

RE: Minutes of November 22nd meeting and status report

I thought since not many were able to make the November 22nd meeting I would send out the minutes and give a brief update.

As noted in the minutes, we added a Flaherty Road walkway (at the request of the Storrs Heights neighborhood) to our priority walkway list. In the next two years as we finish the top three (Separatist, Hunting Lodge and Birch) we should be able to begin designing walkways for both Eastwood and Flaherty. The updated listing is attached. Perhaps late in 2006 we should re-examine the priority list.

I have drafted a bikeway ordinance that the Town Attorney is currently reviewing. Please plan on a meeting early this spring (March) to review it prior to sending it along to the Traffic Authority and Council for adoption. We also will need to discuss signs for the bikeways that summarize the "rules of the road", as the UConn research studies on Connecticut bikeways noted that users were uninformed as to how to use them (right-of-way, passing procedures, etc.).

Hope everyone has a great holiday season. I will plan to contact you in February to set up the next meeting. In the interim call me at 429-3332 to discuss.

Encl: Walkway Priority List
November 22nd minutes

cc: TAC 2005 file

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Town of Mansfield

Emergency Management Advisory Council

Minutes of the January 12, 2006, Meeting

Present: B. Paterson; M. Berliner; K. Grunwald; L. Hultgren; W. Jordan; S. Cox

Staff: M. Hart; D. Dagon; J. Jackman

Chairperson Paterson called the meeting to order at 3:05 PM.

Agenda Items:

1. Minutes of the December 21, 2005, meeting where approved.
2. Jackman, Hultgren, Jordan and Berliner reviewed the activities conducted during the October 15, 2005 flooding event and the information available preceding the flooding.
3. The Council members discussed the merits of a single command post and the use of the UC (Unified Command) principles of the NIMS (National Incident Management System) to manage Spring Weekend. M Berliner, B. Paterson, and S. Cox will discuss the use of a UC command post with the State Police command staff.

B. Paterson asked Council members to review the advantages of UC and identify goals and objectives for this years Spring Weekend. Members were asked to forward this information to J. Jackman.

Meeting adjourned at 4:08 PM.

Respectfully submitted by John Jackman, Director of Emergency Management

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Animal Control Activity Report

REPORT PERIOD 2005 / 2006

PERFORMANCE DATA	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	This FY to date	Last FY to date
Complaints investigated:														
phone calls	236	242	300	203	146	148	153						1428	1506
road calls	21	33	22	18	18	15	23						150	103
dog calls	43	47	39	114	64	64	89						460	391
cat calls	29	32	23	76	57	70	50						337	273
wildlife calls	9	9	3	3	7	7	3						41	44
Notices to license issued	4	12	11	4	8	13	3						55	48
Warnings issued	6	4	6	7	141	10	5						179	194
Warning letters issued	2	1	56	0	3	2	12						76	7
Infractions issued	1	0	1	0	0	0	2						4	9
Misdemeanors issued	0	0	0	0	0	0	0						0	1
Dog bite quarantines	0	0	1	1	0	2	0						4	1
Dog strict confinement	0	0	0	0	0	0	0						0	0
Cat bite quarantines	2	2	0	0	0	0	1						5	5
Cat strict confinement	0	0	0	0	0	0	0						0	0
Dogs on hand at start of month	8	7	6	3	5	1	5						35	36
Cats on hand at start of month	6	9	18	11	11	6	5						66	112
Impoundments	33	45	36	37	16	31	21						219	217
Dispositions:														
Owner redeemed	5	5	3	9	3	7	6						38	36
Sold as pets-dogs	10	10	12	3	6	2	4						47	55
Sold as pets-cats	12	16	30	19	14	19	6						116	128
Sold as pets-other	0	0	0	0	0	0	0						0	0
Total destroyed	4	6	1	4	2	0	2						19	23
Road kills taken for incineration	1	0	1	1	2	0	0						5	4
Euthanized as sick/unplaceable	3	6	0	3	0	0	2						14	19
Total dispositions	31	37	46	35	25	28	18						220	243
Dogs on hand at end of month	7	6	3	5	1	5	6						33	32
Cats on hand at end of month	9	18	11	11	6	5	7						67	90
Total fees collected	1,225	1,299	1,882	1,215	836	1,044	435						\$ 7,936	\$ 8,663

Scotland dogs FY 05/06 to date 7 Total 11
 Hampton dogs FY 05/06 to date 4

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ADMINISTRATION

- FY 2005 Annual Report: WINCOG’s FY 2005 Annual Report has been completed and will be available at today’s meeting.

- **Technical assistance contracts active in FY 06:**

Contract #	Description	Status
Chaplin	Planning and zoning services	Began 1/3/05; renewed for 7/1/05 – 12/31/05 – extended to 2/07/06
Chaplin	Compensation Committee - job evaluations, descriptions, and recommended salary ranges	completed
Coventry	Mapping assistance- open space inventory	Began 8/30/05 - on hold
Mansfield	Mapping assistance	Ongoing
Northeast Alliance	Web site modifications	Ongoing – as needed
Willimantic River Alliance - QSHC partnership grant	Further web site development	began 7/05 – delayed because of low water levels in Willimantic River – canoeist can’t verify site locations Will be worked on in March 2006.

UPCOMING DATES OF INTEREST

- February 15 8:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. NIMS Compliance Seminar for Chief Elected Officials (Uncasville)
- February 16 8:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. NIMS Compliance Seminar for Chief Elected Officials (Danbury)
- February 14 8:30 a.m. COST Town Meeting, Cromwell.
- February 21 8:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. NIMS Compliance Seminar for Chief Elected Officials (Meriden)
- March 1 7:30 p.m. Next scheduled RPC meeting.
- March 1 GRANT DEADLINE 2006-7 Recreational Trails Program (DEP)
- March 3 8:30 a.m. Next scheduled WINCOG meeting. Location TBA.
- April 28 8:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Downtown Revitalization Institute – Using Design as a Tool for Downtown Revitalization (Northeast Utilities, Berlin)

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

CEDS: The executive directors of both WINCOG and NECCOG attended a meeting in Hartford called by the Regional Growth Partnership (New Haven area). The meeting was the second to bring together representatives from each area of the state that has developed a CEDS. The Economic Development Administration regional director with responsibility for Connecticut, Steve Grady, was in the state for a few days, and he attended this meeting to give us an update on EDA funding and project eligibility. He was also meeting with DECD separately, with the hope of encouraging them (and the governor) to sign-off on the creation of economic development districts (EDDs). He suggested that it would be logical for each multi-town region that has developed a CEDS to apply for EDD status. While this status does not automatically bring in new funding, it does broaden the geographic area within which projects are eligible for EDA funding. For example, only Windham meets the qualifications for eligibility (income and unemployment) in the Windham Region, but if we were part of an economic development district, projects in other towns would be eligible if they had the potential of improving incomes and / or employment in Windham. The EDA is in the process of developing new guidance for EDDs. We will be monitoring this and will be considering re-configuring the Northeastern CT Economic Partnership to meet the criteria.

TRANSPORTATION

Regional Transportation Plan: Copies of the plan - 59 - will be distributed at today’s meeting. It has been posted on WINCOG’s web site: www.wincog.org

TRANSIT

Municipal Elderly and Disabled Demand Responsive Transportation Grants Program: A meeting of the WRTD Paratransit Advisory Committee was held at the WINCOG offices on Wednesday, February 1, to walk through, discuss, and identify questions regarding this new grant program. Advisory Committee members have been invited to join us following today’s meeting to discuss the grants and applications with ConnDOT and (we hope) to get the answers to some of our questions.

WRTD’s In-House Dial-a-Ride and Route 32 services: The month of January has been one of adjustment for both the WINCOG staff and WRTD’s (formerly WRCC’s) Dial-a-Ride staff. We continue to look for more efficient ways of placing chairs and desks, and for storing supplies and equipment not in current use. We are also still trying to get a couple of renegade computers to behave in their new surroundings. But the uniting of the two operations has been smoother than anticipated. We continue to seek new and larger space in an appropriate location for both organizations, but some of the searching has been temporarily pushed aside by the need to prepare budget packages for towns and to prepare for the Municipal Grants program.

LAND USE PLANNING

Regional Planning Commission: At their February 1, 2006, meeting, the Regional Planning Commission reviewed and acted on the following zoning referrals:

- a. # 06-01-25-AD: Mansfield: A proposal to create a two lot subdivision on Lustig Road on the Willington town boundary. **Action: Nonconformance with regional policies and anticipated intermunicipal impact.**

Additionally, the RPC elected the following officers: Kay Holt (Mansfield), Chairman; Kevin MacDonald (Chaplin), Vice chairman; Claire Lary (Windham), Secretary; Ted Melinosky (Columbia), Member-at-Large.

- Greenway Applications: Three rivers are the target of greenway applications in the Windham Region to be submitted to CT DEP in March. Holly Drinkuth of the Nature Conservancy is preparing a greenway application for the Natchaug River in Chaplin, Mansfield, and Windham. Denise Burchsted of the Naubasetuck Watershed Council and members of the Joshua’s Trust are preparing a greenway application for the Fenton and Mt. Hope Rivers in Mansfield, Ashford and Willington. Both groups are seeking the support of the Windham Region Planning Commission and the Council of Governments.

EMERGENCY PLANNING UPDATES

- Community Emergency Response Team Training: A class of nine new volunteers began CERT training on January 17, and will continue through mid-March.
- Regional Emergency Planning Workgroup: Roger Sylvestre, Mashantucket Fire Chief and chairman of the SECCOG’s Regional Emergency Management (REM) Committee, described the work of that committee and of the CERRIT (HAZMAT) team that extends northward to Windham and UConn. He invited WINCOG’s workgroup Co-chair, John Jackman, and your executive director to attend the next REM plan committee meeting on Thursday of this week.
- DEMHS Area IV – State evacuation planning: The state submitted to FEMA a template for its statewide evacuation plan, using as a core its plan for the evacuation of the seven towns along I-95 in southwestern CT. The group will continue to inventory and gather data on Red Cross shelters in the region, on vehicles for transportation in the event of the need to evacuate, and on special needs populations.
- Pre-Disaster Hazard Mitigation Planning (PDHM) Grant – FEMA Funding through Department of Environmental Protection (DEP): Staff have completed edits to the draft document in response to FEMA’s very detailed comments. We were in contact with FEMA in making the edits, and are

approval. We should receive a response within a couple of weeks. At that time, the plans will be reprinted and re-distributed to each town for their adoption. Each town will have to provide documentation of the plan’s adoption before it is formally recognized by FEMA.

CENSUS AFFILIATE ACTIVITIES

- Data Requests: Census data was requested from: 1 resident; 1 student; 2 businesses.

LOCAL ASSISTANCE

TOWN	ASSISTANCE	# HOURS
<i>Chaplin</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Technical assistance to PZC and First Selectman regarding statutes • DHS Direct Assistance Grant info and CERT lists for EMD 	2 .5
<i>Windham</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prepared map of downtown for CT Main Street Center/ Windham Economic Development 	1
<i>All towns</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Staff provided technical assistance on the new Municipal Grant Program for Dial-a-Ride services 	4

OTHER ASSISTANCE

- Continued to participate in Willimantic Whitewater Partnership.

MEETINGS

- Jan. 6 - WINCOG meeting / Mansfield (BB, JB)
- 10 - DEMHS FY 2006 funding process meeting / Rocky Hill (BB)
- 11 - Technology Transfer Advisory Committee / Newington (BB)
- Willimantic Whitewater Partnership* / Windham (JB)
- 12 - Eastern CT Transportation Collaborative / Franklin (MP)
- Chaplin PZC / Chaplin (JB)
- 17 - DEMHS FY 2006 Funding process meeting / Rocky Hill (BB)
- CERT class (BB)
- 18 - Meeting of CEDS representatives (statewide) with EDA regional rep. / Hartford (BB)
- 19 - CACT meeting / Hartford (MP)
- Statewide Citizens Corps Council / West Hartford (BB)
- 20 - 3-COG executive directors meeting with DEMHS and OPM /Norwich (BB)
- 24 - WINCOG Regional Emergency Planning Workgroup (BB)
- 30 - DEMHS state evacuation planning meeting/ Colchester (BB)
- Meeting with Mansfield Town Planner regarding POCD/ Mansfield (JB)
- 31 - Transportation Systems for Elders meeting / Hartford (BB)
- CERT class –for administrative tasks (BB)
- Feb. 1 - Paratransit Advisory Committee meeting re: municipal grants (BB, JB, MP)
- 2 - SECCOG Regional Emergency Management Plan Committee / Norwich (BB)

*Time not charged to WINCOG

COMMONLY USED ACRONYMS

- CACT CT Association for Community Transportation
- CARPO CT Association of Regional Planning Organizations (formerly RPOC)
- CERT Community Emergency Response Team
- DEMHS CT Department of Emergency Management and Homeland Security
- DEP CT Department of Environmental Protection
- EDA Economic Development Administration (federal)
- EDD Economic Development District (EDA designation)
- EWIB Eastern CT Workforce Investment Board
- FEMA Federal Emergency Management Administration
- OPM CT Office of Policy and Management
- PATH Plan for Achievement of Transportation Coordination in Human Services
- PDHM Pre-Disaster Hazard Mitigation
- RPO Regional Planning Organizations
- TAR Town Aid Roads - 61 -
- T2 Technology Transfer Center (UConn)

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Town of Mansfield
CONSERVATION COMMISSION
Meeting of 18 January 2006
Conference B, Beck Building
MINUTES

Members present: Robert Dahn (Chair), Jennifer Kaufman, Scott Lehmann. Members absent: Quentin Kessel, John Silander, Frank Trainor. Others present: Grant Meitzler (Wetlands Agent), Denise Burchsted (Naubesatuck Watershed Council), Peter Drzewiecki, Don Miner.

1. The meeting was **called to order** at 7:38p. The absence of a quorum was noted but not objected to.

2. The **minutes of the 21 December 05 meeting** were accepted as written (motion: Kaufman, Dahn).

3. **Fenton and Mt. Hope River Greenways.** Denise Burchsted of the Naubesatuck Watershed Council discussed the proposed Fenton and Mt. Hope River Greenways. "Greenway" is a state designation that encourages discussion of conservation goals and strategies among towns, agencies, and other stake-holders (and cooperation among them in pursuing or implementing these goals and strategies). Grant applications to state funding sources will receive a higher ranking if they involve Greenway projects.

Ms. Burchsted asked that the Commission recommend that the Town of Mansfield (1) sponsor the proposed Fenton River Greenway and (2) support the proposed Mt. Hope River Greenway. Sponsorship requires a commitment to some project promoting Greenway goals. For example, the Town could commit to working to secure conservation easements on riverfront property on the east side of the Fenton, or even just to send a letter to landowners urging consideration of conservation easements. The project need not be specified in the sponsorship resolution; its choice may be delegated to some person or agency.

The Commission agreed (motion: Kaufman, Dahn) to urge the Town to (1) sponsor the proposed Fenton River Greenway and (2) support the proposed Mt. Hope River Greenway. Kaufman will draft a resolution for (1) and a letter for (2), based on models supplied by Ms. Burchsted. She will forward them to the PZC with our recommendation that they be endorsed and passed on to the Town Council for its approval. Deadline for approvals is 1 March.

4. There was some discussion of development threats to large tracts of undeveloped land in the Wormwood Hill area. Zoning rules can regulate but not prevent development, and the Town lacks the financial resources to purchase these tracts. So their preservation will probably require outside funding or public-spirited gifts (title or easements) by their owners.

5. Natchaug River Greenway. Kaufman has drafted a resolution and letter of support, as authorized at the 21 Dec 05 meeting (minutes, item 2), and forwarded them to the PZC.

6. Torrey boundary marking. Dahn will instruct Kedron Silsbee, who is eager to do this.

7. IWA 1336 (Kueffner). The Commission agreed (motion: Dahn, Kaufman) that there should be no significant wetland impact, as long as the silt fence is placed as shown on the site plan and remains in place during construction.

8. Adjourned at 9:03p.

Scott Lehmann
Acting Secretary
19 January 06

Mansfield Commission on Aging Minutes

2:30 PM – Senior Center

Monday, January 9, 2006

Present: Carol MacMillan (Interim Chair), P. Hope (Staff), K. Doeg, E. Norris, C. Phillips, J. Kenny (Staff), , M. Thatcher, T. Quinn, J. Brubacher, C. Phillips

Regrets: K. Grunwald (Staff), B. Acebo, D. Mercier, S. Thomas, Rose Fowler (invited guest)

I. **Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 2:35 PM by Chair C. MacMillan.

II. **Appointment of Recording Secretary:** P. Hope agreed to take minutes for the meeting.

III. **Acceptance of Minutes:** The minutes of the December 12, 2005 meeting were accepted.

IV. **Correspondence – Chair and Staff:**

B. Griffin resigned as representative of Wrights Way.

“Wisdom Works: Building Better Communities”, a Metlife Foundation grant, was distributed. K. Grunwald is interested in applying for this grant and would like input from members of the COA. The deadline for a letter of interest is February 15. Members were encouraged to contact K. Grunwald before the next meeting if they had an interest in the grant or to share ideas of possible projects.

V. **Optional Reports on Services/Needs of Town Aging Populations**

A. **Health Care Services**

Wellness Center and Wellness Program – J. Kenny distributed copies of her monthly report. She indicated she had contact with 36 clients with only 15 working days. 25 of these clients were new. These cases have been more involved. The Windham Provider Network meeting is trying to address concerns about the lack of regulation for home care agencies. Medicare Part D has created a great deal of stress for seniors, and increased stress has occurred due to added expenses for fuel and food.

Mansfield Center for Nursing and Rehabilitation – J. Kenny: no report.

B. **Social, Recreational and Educational**

Senior Center – P. Hope distributed copies of her monthly report. P. Hope noted the increase in attendance at TVCCA and Windham Hospital Food Programs. The Association hosted a special Holiday program that featured Middle Eastern Cuisine and the common roots of the three monotheistic religions. This was well received. A new knitting class has been added on Fridays

Senior Center Assoc. – J. Brubacher indicated the Association is eagerly awaiting a new shed that will be provided by the Town. An Association Committee has been formed to bring a geriatrician to the Mansfield Senior Center. Money from the fall auction has already been set aside for this purpose. The Association has

been concerned about the lack of space at the Senior Center. J. Brubacher has been in conversation with Assistant Town Manager, M. Hart about this issue. It is hoped money will be allocated to have an architect look at the existing space. J. Brubacher hopes a committee will visit other senior centers in the near future. J. Brubacher also discussed a desire to set up an intergenerational program where the senior center would work with elementary schools. J. Kenny indicated the TVCCA Foster Grandparent Program is available to assist with this type of programming.

C. Housing

Assisted Living Project: no report.

Juniper Hill, Jensen's Park, Other: no report.

D. Related Town and Regional Organizations such as:

Com. on Physically and Sensorily Impaired, Town Community Center,
Town Plan of Conservation and Development, - no reports.

Senior Resources of Eastern CT: P. Hope indicated Senior Resources is planning a Senior Expo at East Brook Mall in April.

VI. Old Business

Preparation of The Long Range Plan - P. Hope distributed copies of the revised survey that was provided by K. Grunwald. The Commission provided input, these comments will be given to K. Grunwald for preparation of a final draft.

Requests from Agencies for Town funds – up-date of process: P. Hope distributed copies of completed applications. The following committee members will review applications by the following agencies: M. Thatcher - Windham Region Transit District, C. Phillips - Thames Valley Council for Community Action, Inc., C. McMillan - Community Companion and Homemaking Service, and T. Quinn - McSweeney Regional Senior Center. D. Mercier agreed to review an application completed by the Mansfield Senior Center Association, but an application was not submitted.

Preparation of Town's application for additional funds for transportation – Input was requested by COA members for use of the additional funds for transportation. Some suggestions for consideration: transportation to malls outside of the area, ie. Buckland Hills Mall and to the Hartford area for special events.

VII. New Business: Rose Fowler, Executive Director of McSweeney Regional Senior Center was unable to be present. No new business was conducted.

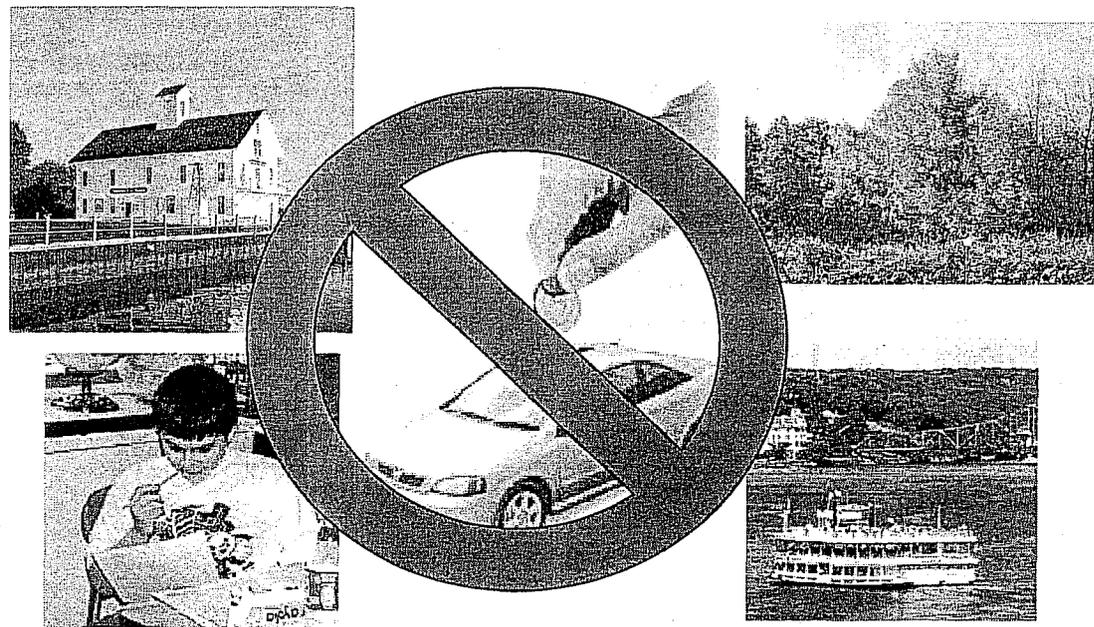
IX. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 4:00 PM. The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, Feb. 13, at 2:30 pm at the Senior Center.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia Hope

Governor's Proposed Budget Revisions (FY 06-07): Car Tax Repeal and Small Increases in State Aid



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Impact on Connecticut's Towns and Cities

*CCM Legislative Committee Meeting
February 16, 2006*

Governor's Proposed Budget Revisions: FY 06-07

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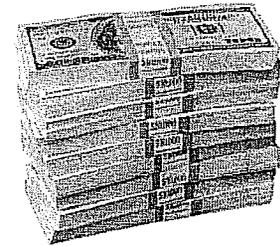
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*** If you have questions, please call Adam Stern, Jim Finley, or Gian-Carl Casa of CCM at (203) 498-3000. ***



**STATE SURPLUS OUTLOOK:
FY 05-06 AND FY 06-07**
(figures in \$ millions)



PROJECTED SURPLUSES:

CURRENT YEAR (FY 05-06)

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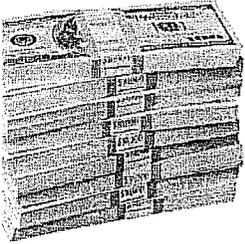
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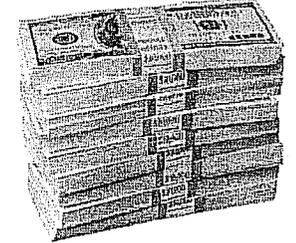
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* CCM estimates that surpluses will likely exceed \$700 million in FY 05-06 and \$500 million in FY 06-07.

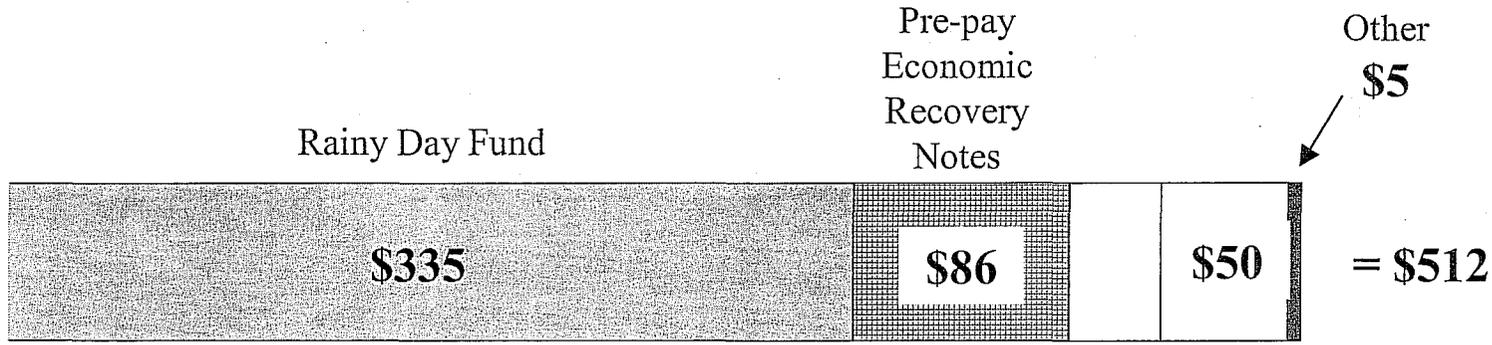
Source: OFA, General Fund Budget Projections, and Governor's Budget Revisions, February 2006.



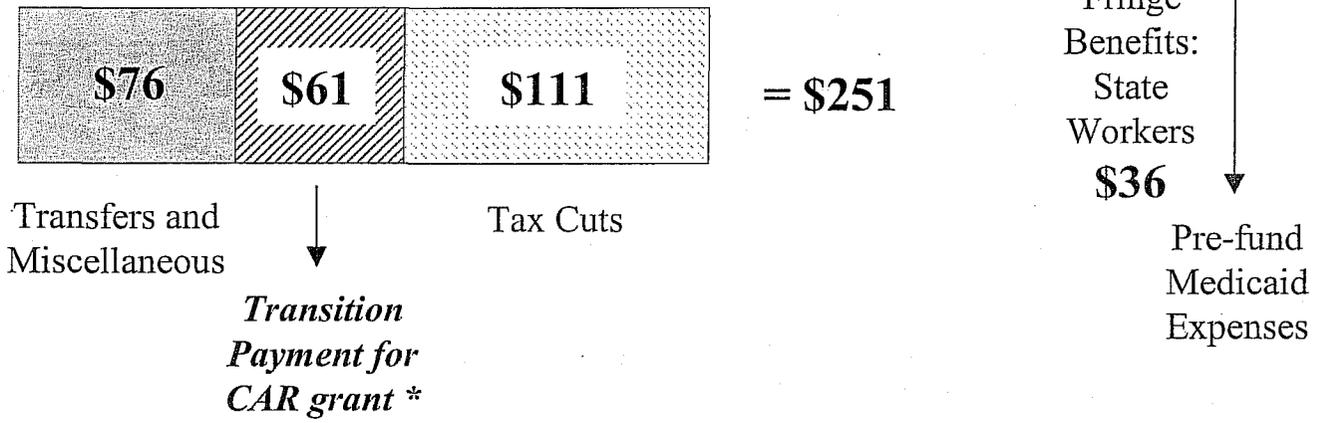
GOVERNOR'S PROPOSED UTILIZATION OF STATE SURPLUSES: FY 05-06 AND FY 06-07



FY 05-06
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FY 06-07



* The Casino Assistance Revenue (CAR) grant would reimburse municipalities for the tax-loss resulting from the repeal of car taxes on most passenger vehicles. A portion of the CAR grant would come from general fund surplus revenue (\$61 million). The remainder would come from the State's Indian gaming revenues.

Source: Governor's Budget Revisions, February 2006.

Car Tax Proposal

The \$497 million plan in FY 06-07:

Reimbursement of Municipalities (through "CAR grant") *

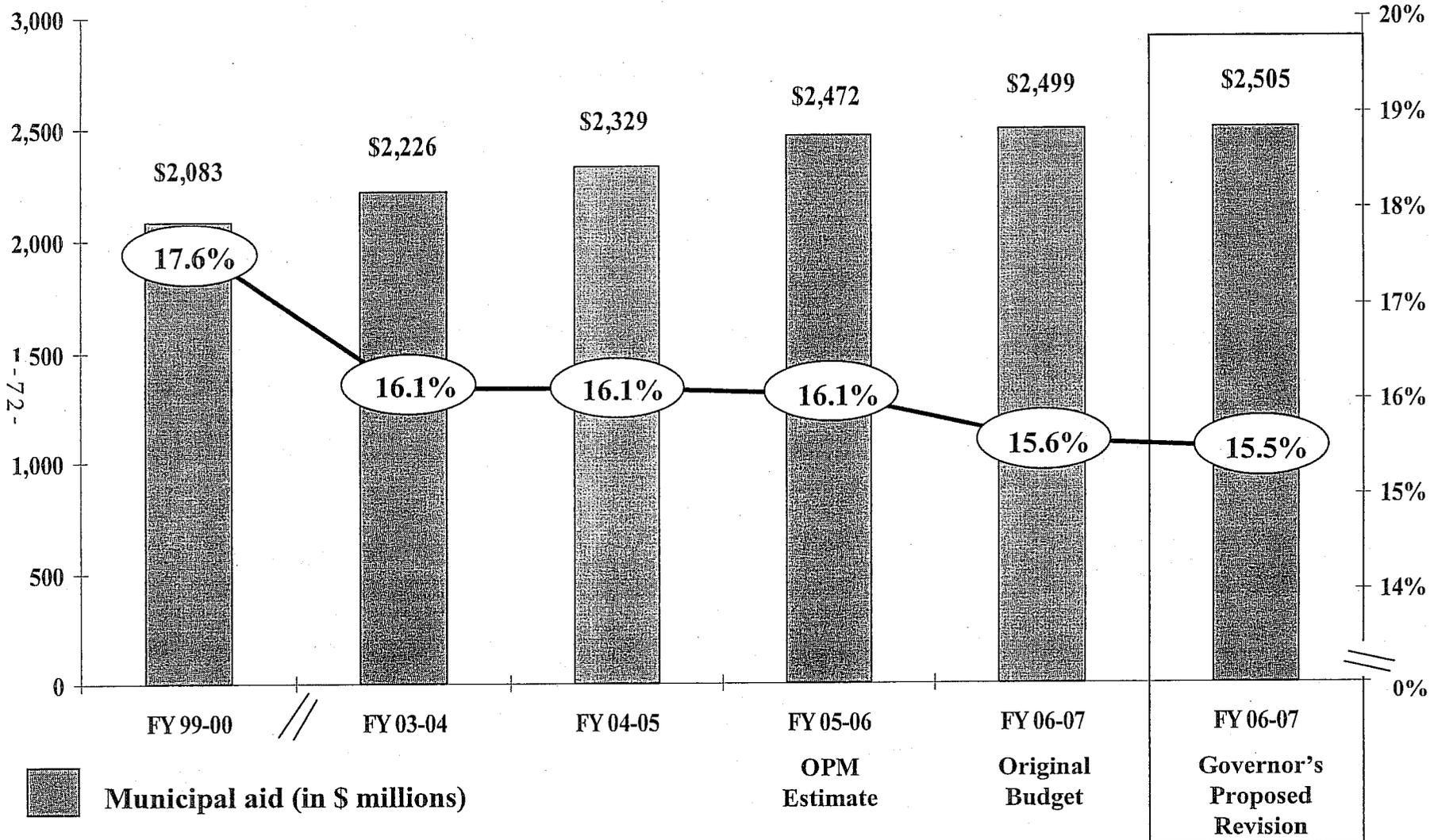
Indian Gaming Payments:	\$436 million
Transition payment for CAR grant:	+ <u>\$61 million</u>
Casino Assistance Revenue" (CAR) grant:	= \$497 million

New State revenue

Eliminate the property tax credit:	\$325 million
"Natural Revenue Growth":	+ <u>\$172 million</u>
	= \$497 million

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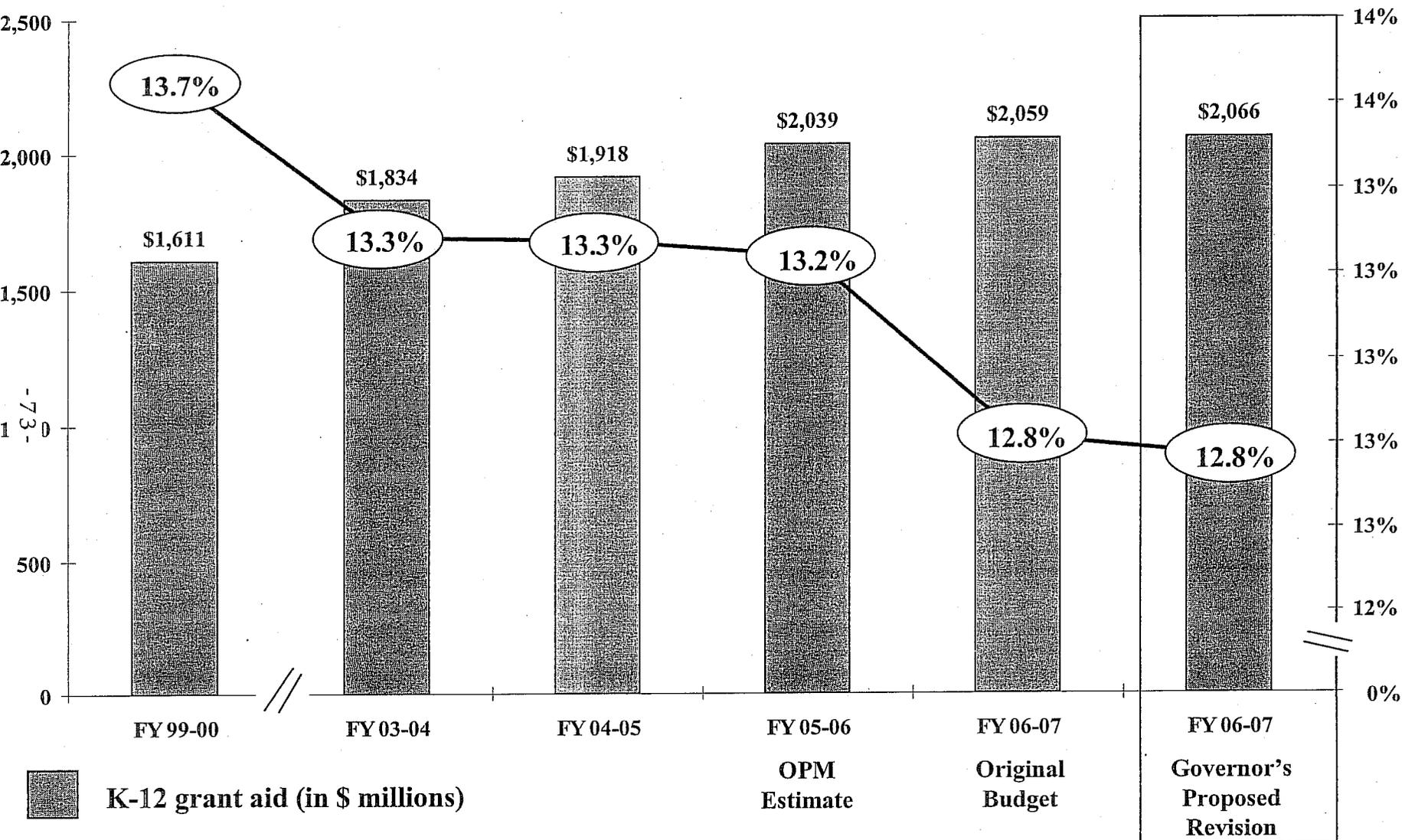


Municipal aid (in \$ millions)
 Municipal aid as a % of state spending

Source: Governor's Proposed Budget Revisions, Feb. 2006 and OFA Budget Books.

* All figures exclude the Governor's car tax proposal, which would add \$497 million to the total in FY 06-07 and increase state aid's share of the budget, while reducing municipal revenues by an estimated \$497 million.

EDUCATION AID WOULD INCREASE BY ONLY \$26 MILLION (1.3%) AND SHRINK AS A PERCENTAGE OF STATE SPENDING



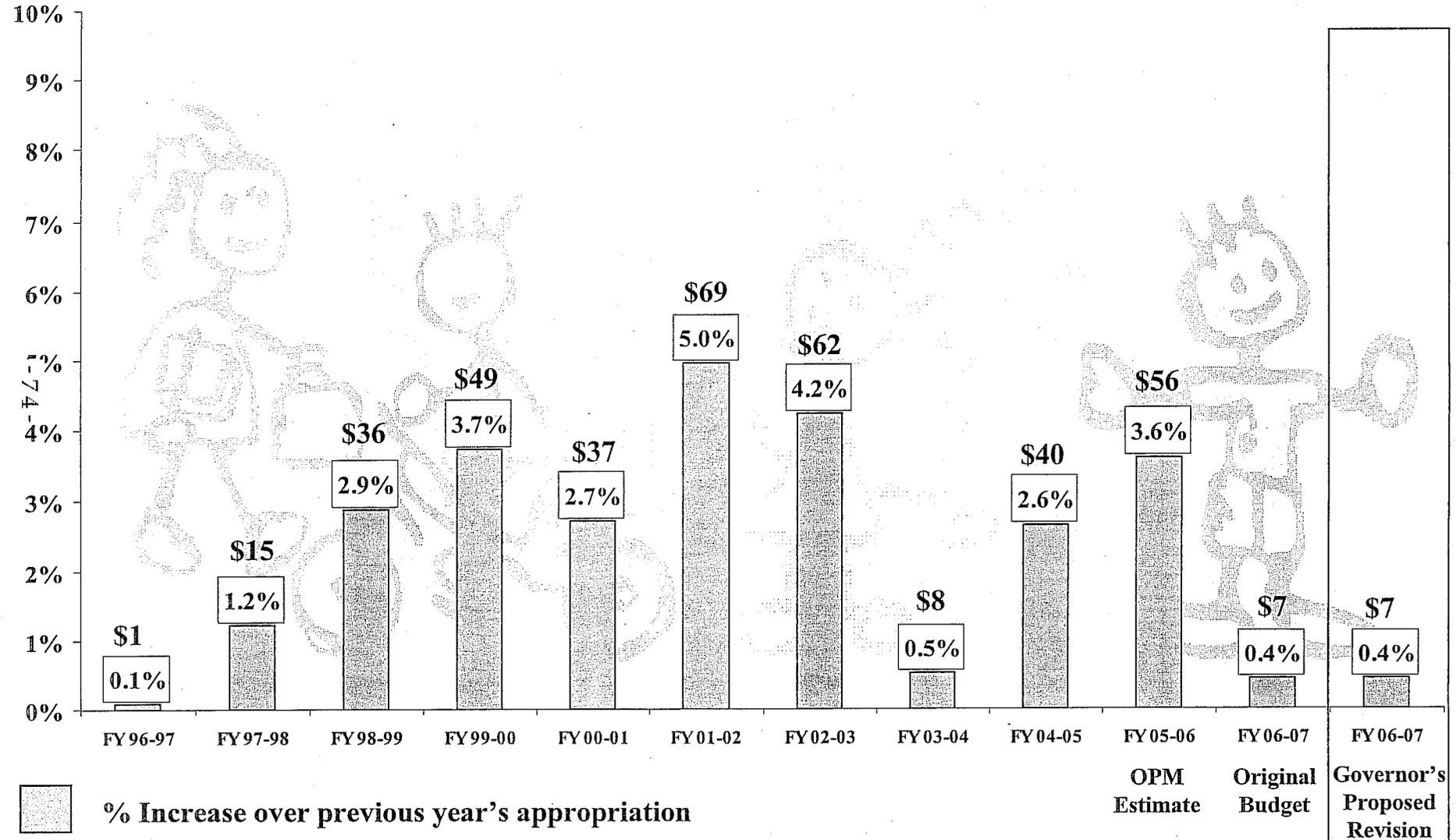
K-12 grant aid (in \$ millions)

K-12 grant aid as a % of state spending

Note: Education aid includes grant aid, only. State contributions toward the teacher's retirement fund, school construction, and unified school districts are not included.

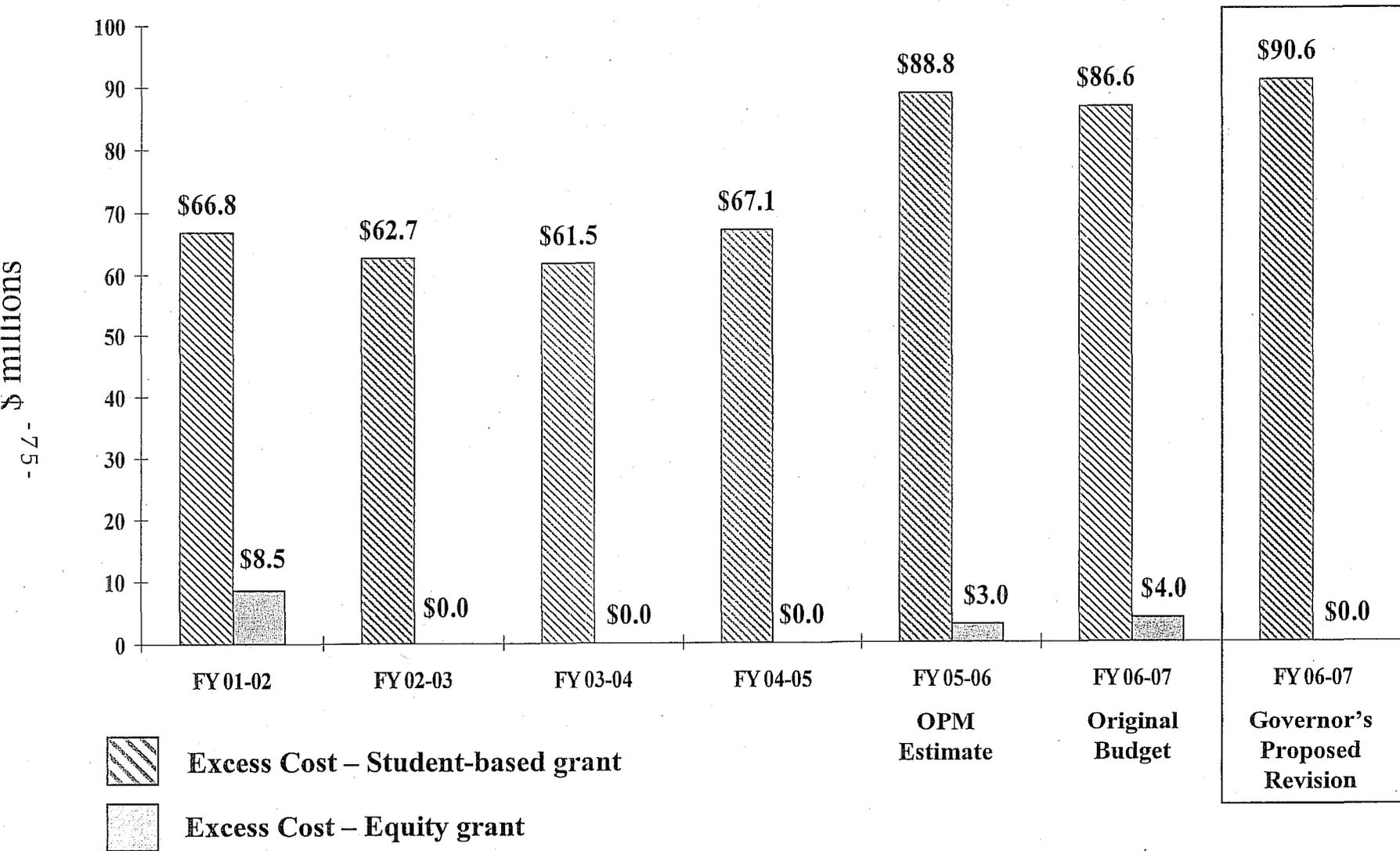
Source: Governor's Proposed Budget Revisions, Feb. 2006 and OFA Budget Books.

ECS GRANT WOULD INCREASE BY ONLY \$7 MILLION (0.4%); LOWEST INCREASE IN 10 YEARS IN PERCENT AND DOLLAR TERMS



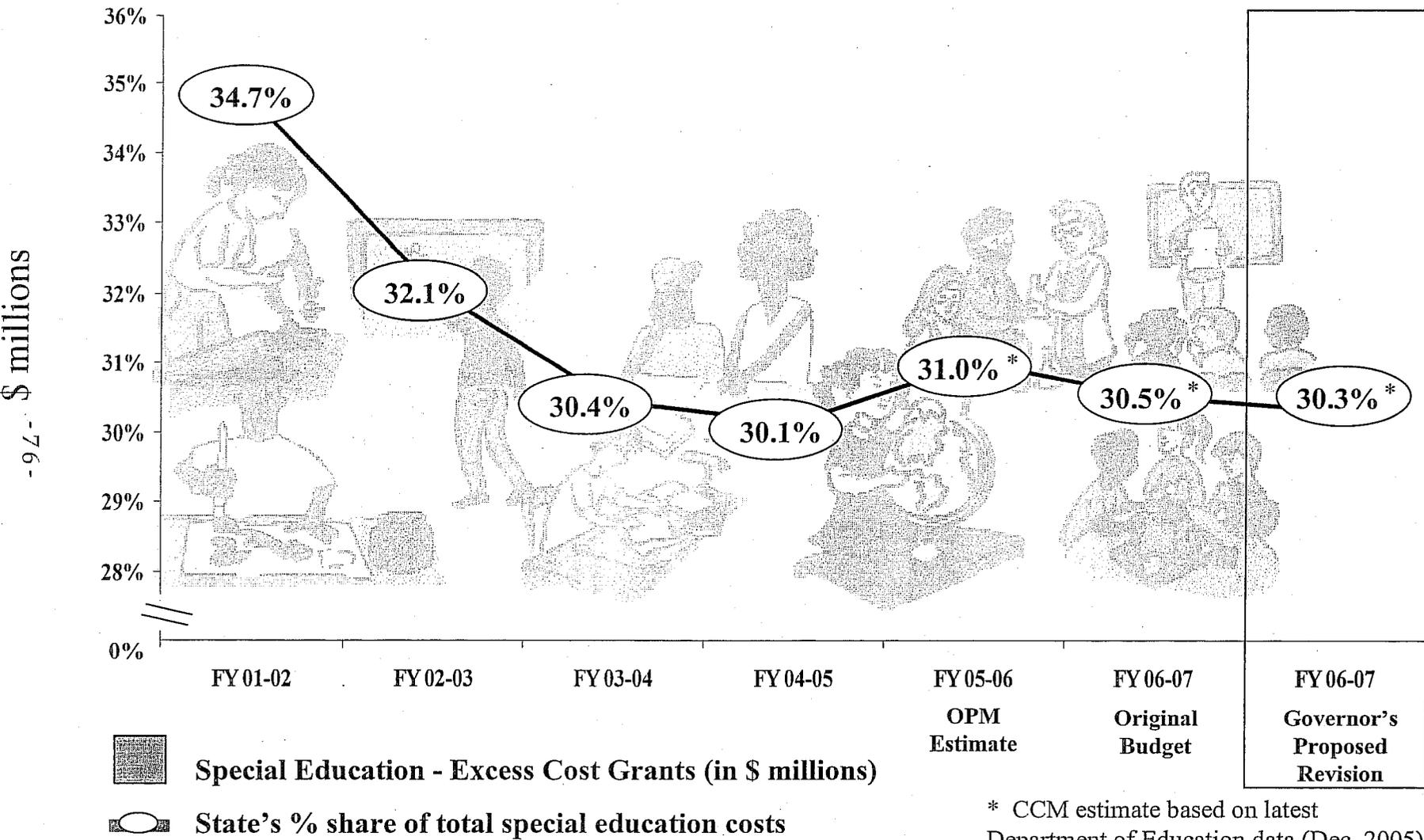
Source: Governor's Proposed Budget Revisions, Feb. 2006, and OFA Grant Information Sheets.

EXCESS-COST SPECIAL ED. GRANTS WOULD DECREASE BY \$1.2 MILLION, AS \$4 MILLION EXCESS COST – EQUITY GRANT WOULD BE ELIMINATED



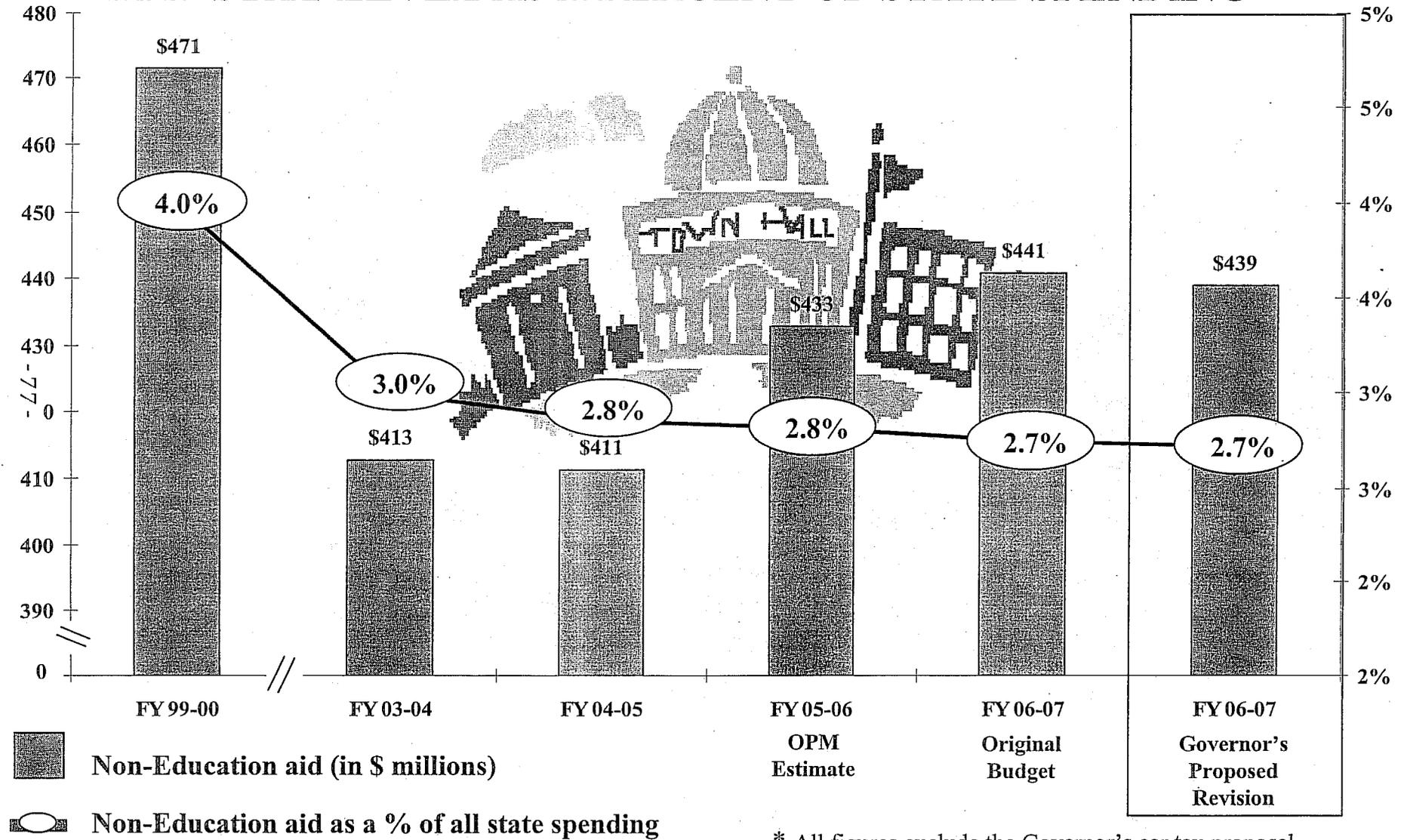
Note: The Excess Cost – student based grant has two components: special education aid for (1) children whose placement is done by the Department of Children and Families and (2) children whose placement is done by a local school district. For children placed by DCF, municipalities are reimbursed for all costs which exceed the local school district's average per-pupil expenditure. For locally placed students, municipalities are reimbursed for all costs which exceed 4.5 times the district's average per-pupil expenditure. The Excess Cost – Equity grant reimburses those towns whose special education expenditures exceed the state average.

EXCESS-COST SPECIAL ED. GRANTS WOULD DECREASE BY \$1.2 MILLION, AND STATE'S % SHARE OF SPECIAL ED. COSTS WOULD SHRINK



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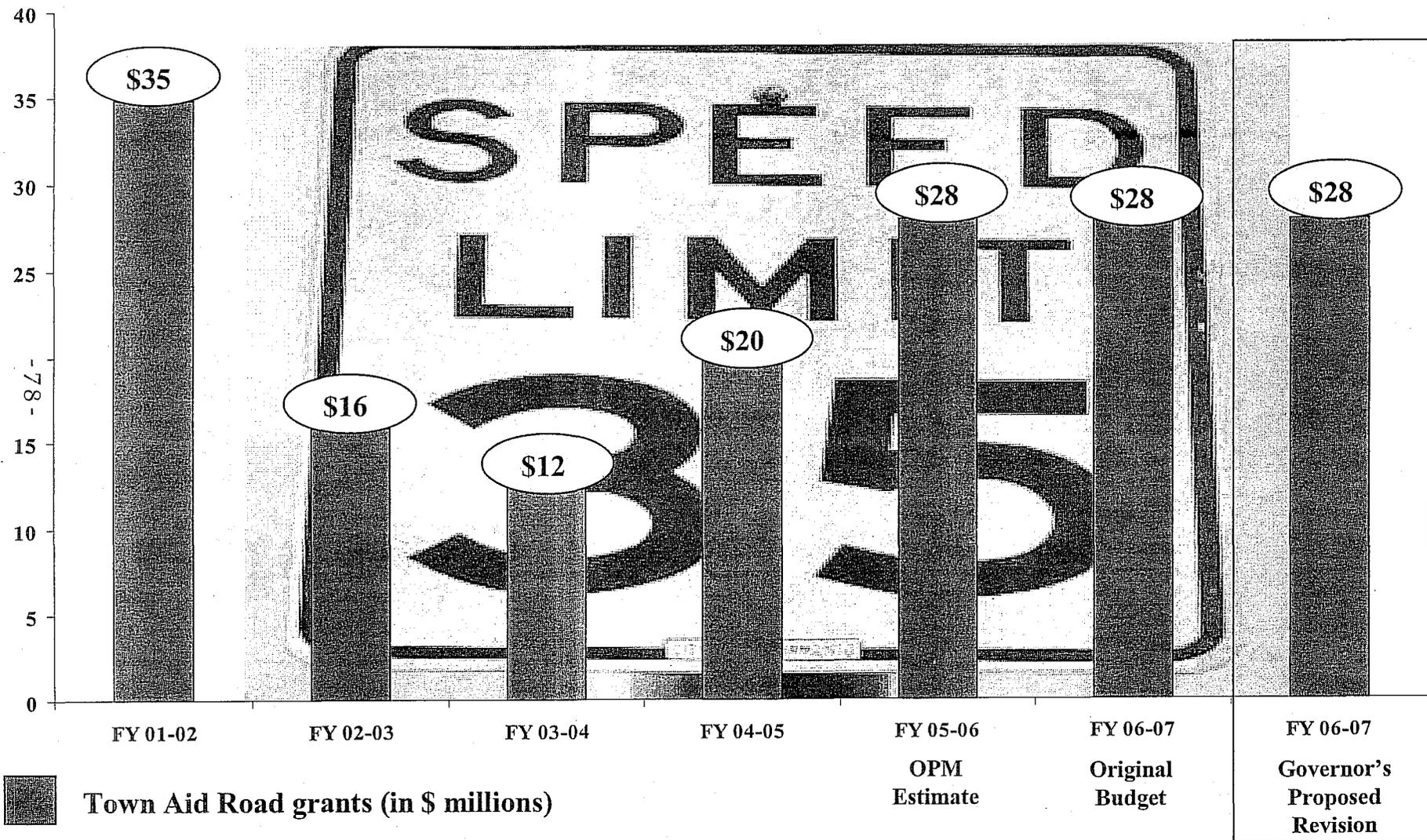
**NON-EDUCATION AID WOULD INCREASE BY ONLY \$6 MILLION (1.4%),
AND STAY LEVEL AS A PERCENT OF STATE SPENDING ***



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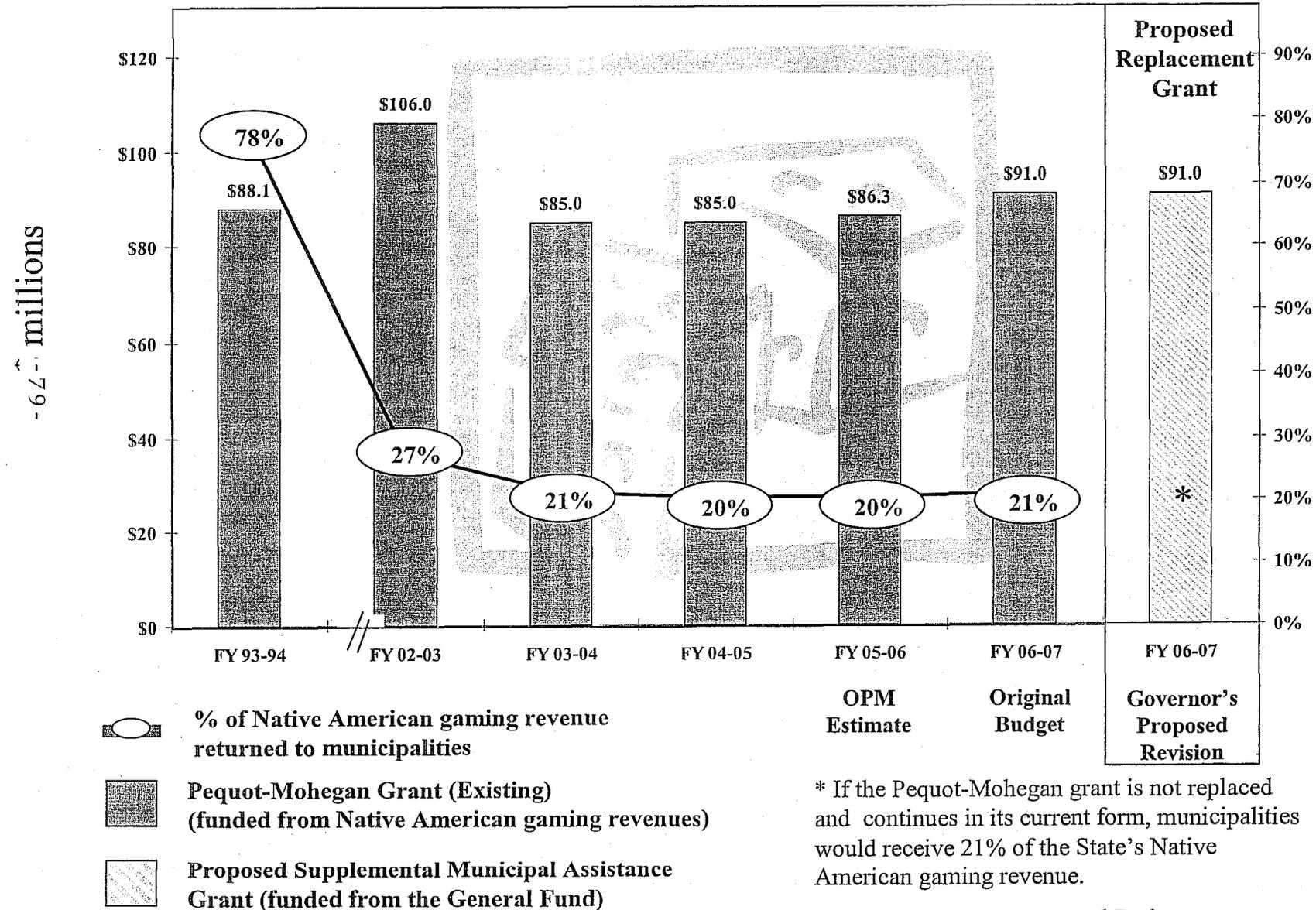
Source: Governor's Proposed Budget Revisions, Feb. 2006 and OFA Budget Books.

TOWN AID ROAD GRANT WOULD NOT INCREASE



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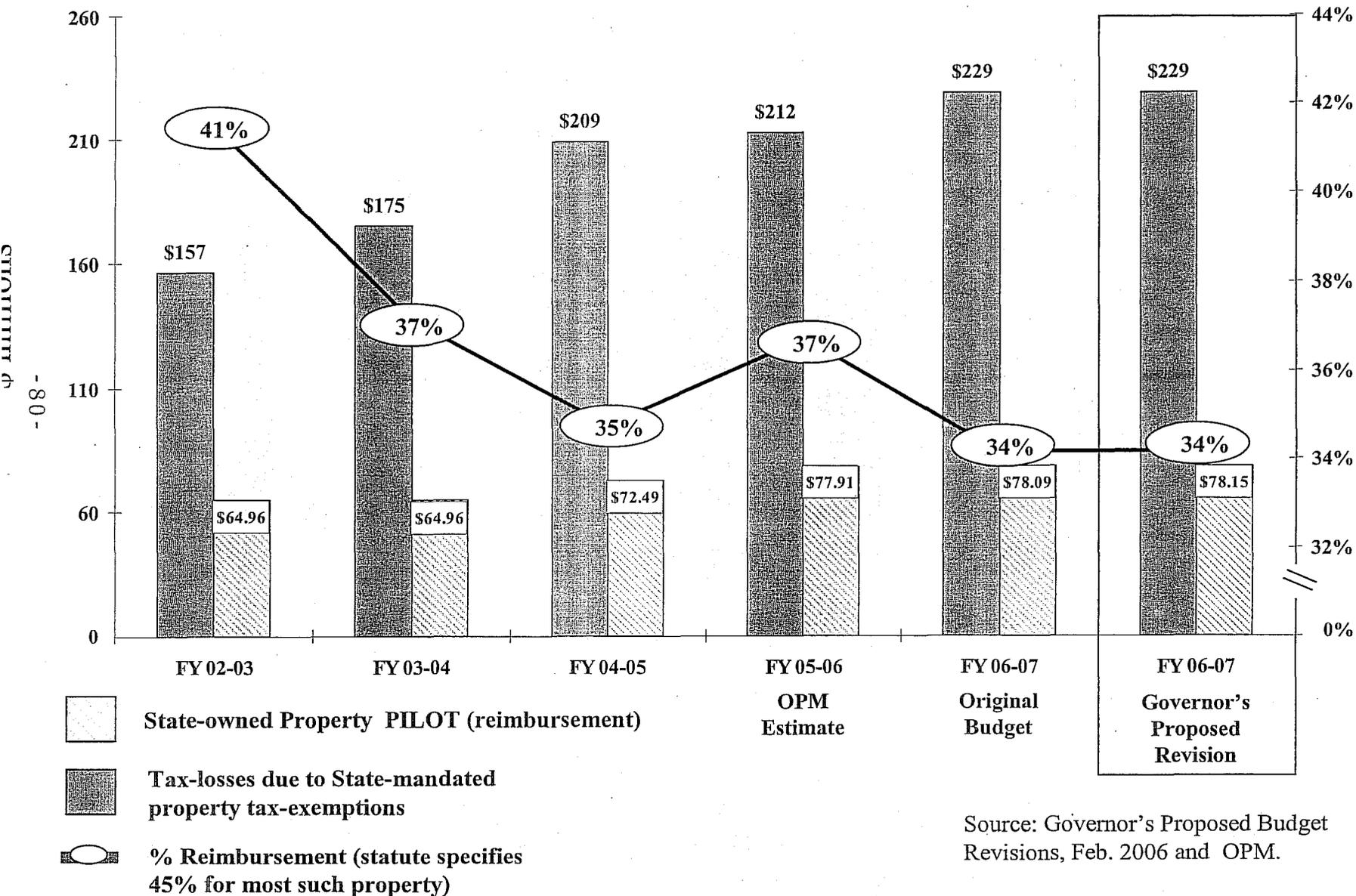
PEQUOT-MOHEGAN GRANT WOULD BE REPLACED WITH "SUPPLEMENTAL MUNICIPAL ASSISTANCE" GRANT, WHICH WOULD BE LEVEL-FUNDED FROM THE STATE'S GENERAL FUND



* If the Pequot-Mohegan grant is not replaced and continues in its current form, municipalities would receive 21% of the State's Native American gaming revenue.

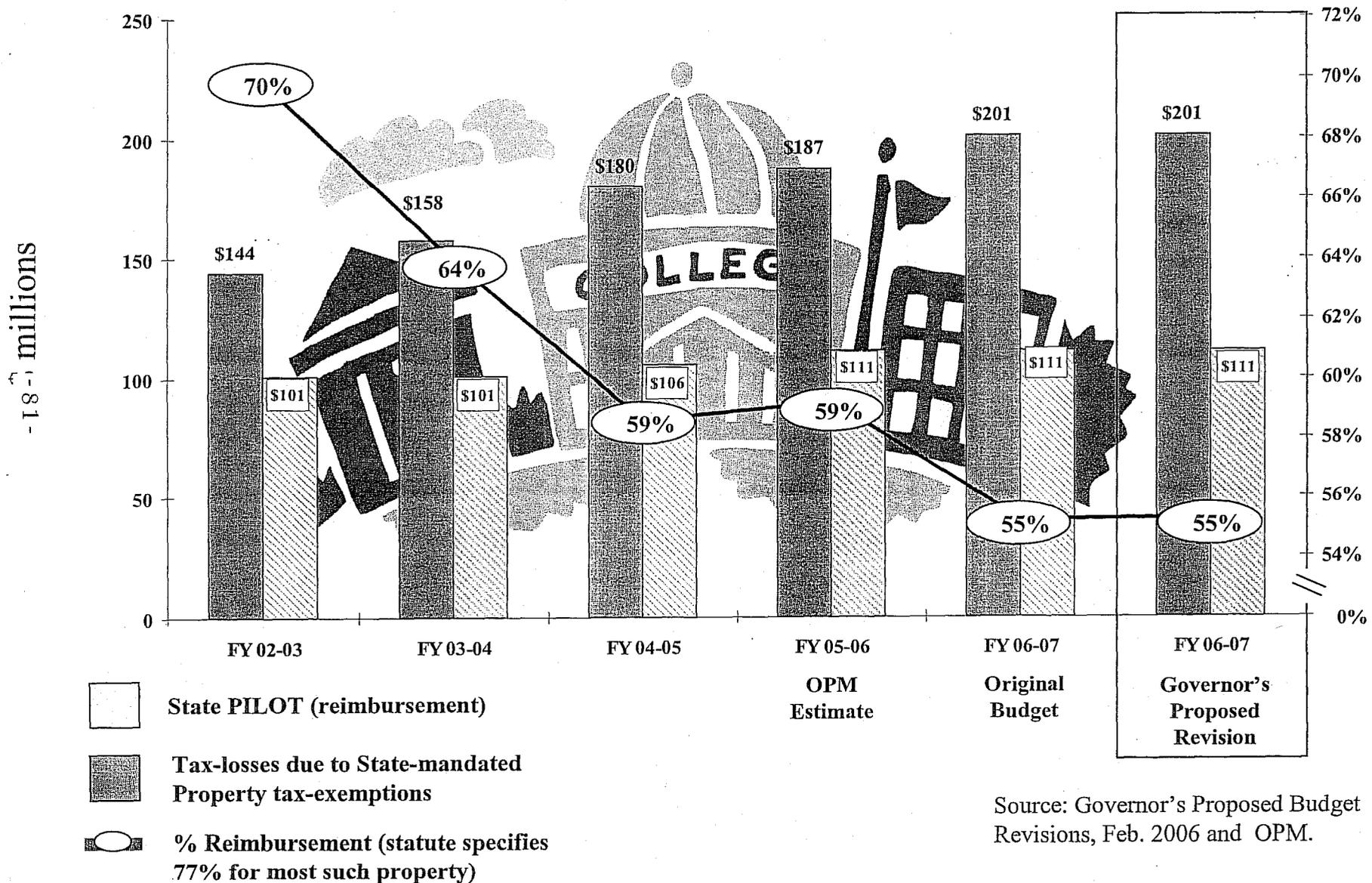
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PILOT FOR EXEMPT STATE-OWNED PROPERTY: SLIGHT INCREASE BUT REIMBURSEMENT WOULD DECLINE AS % OF PROPERTY TAX-LOSSES



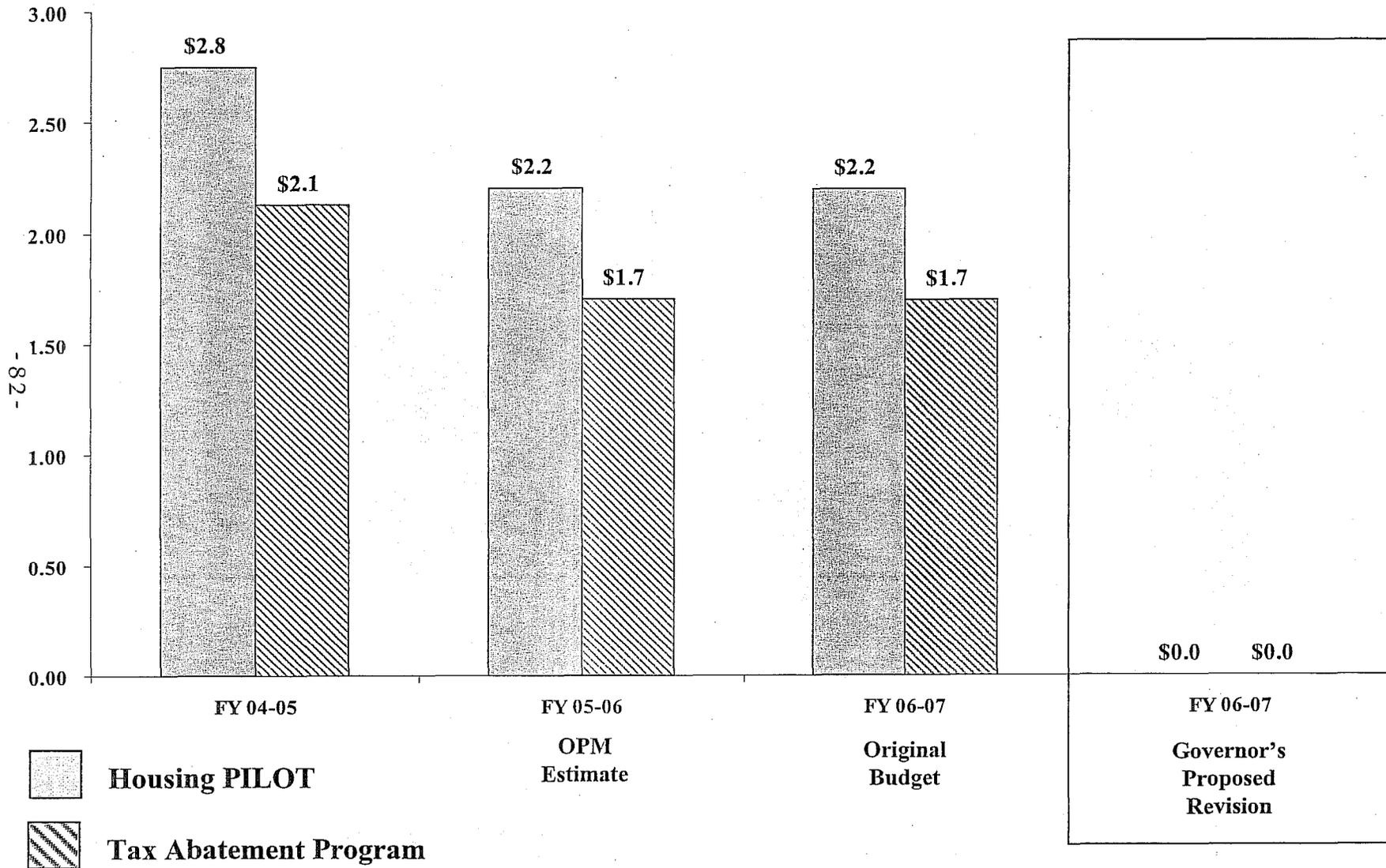
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PILOT FOR COLLEGE & HOSPITAL PROPERTY: NO INCREASE, BUT REIMBURSEMENT WOULD DECLINE AS % OF PROPERTY TAX-LOSSES



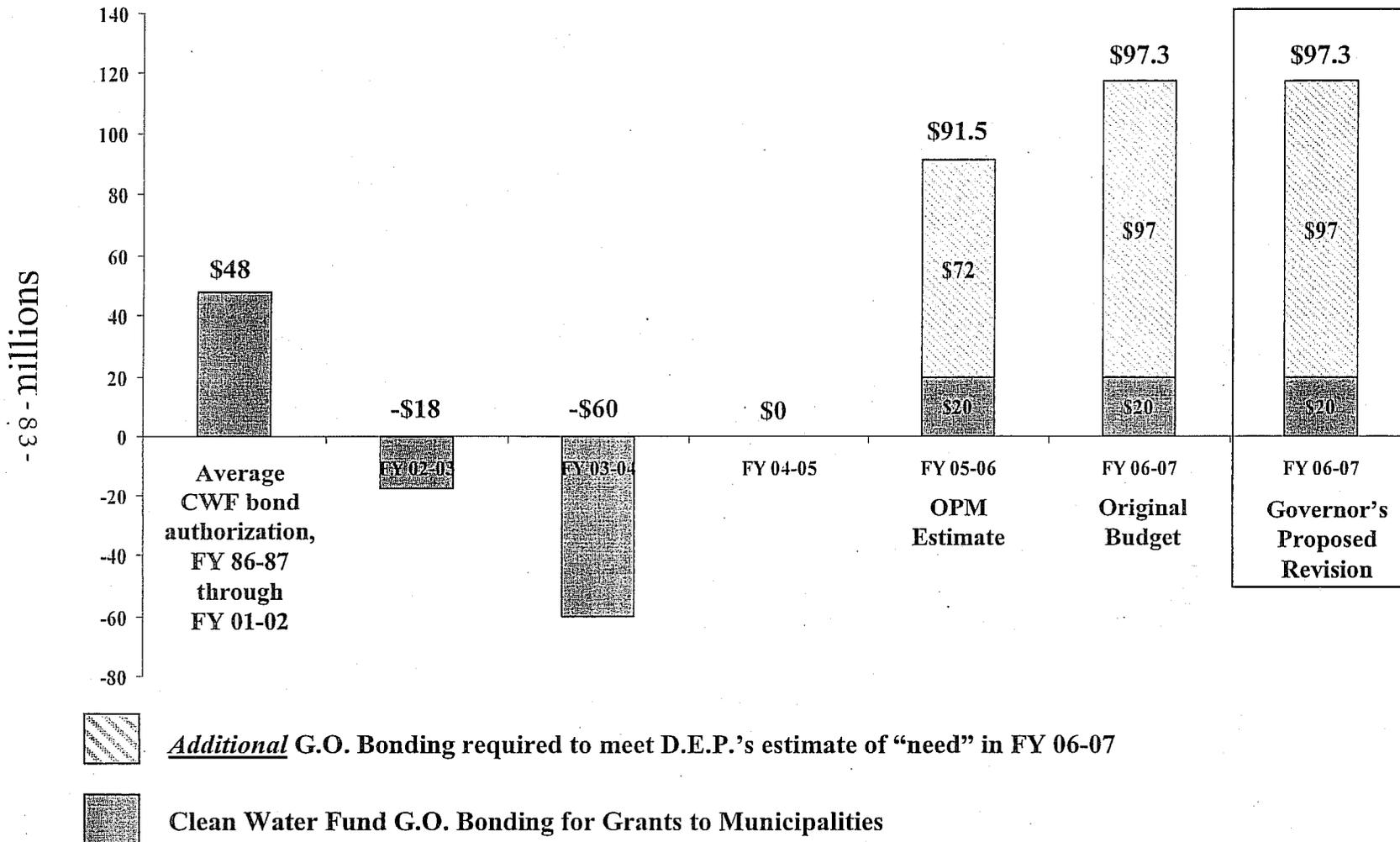
Source: Governor's Proposed Budget Revisions, Feb. 2006 and OPM.

DECD PILOT AND TAX ABATEMENT PROGRAMS WOULD BE ELIMINATED



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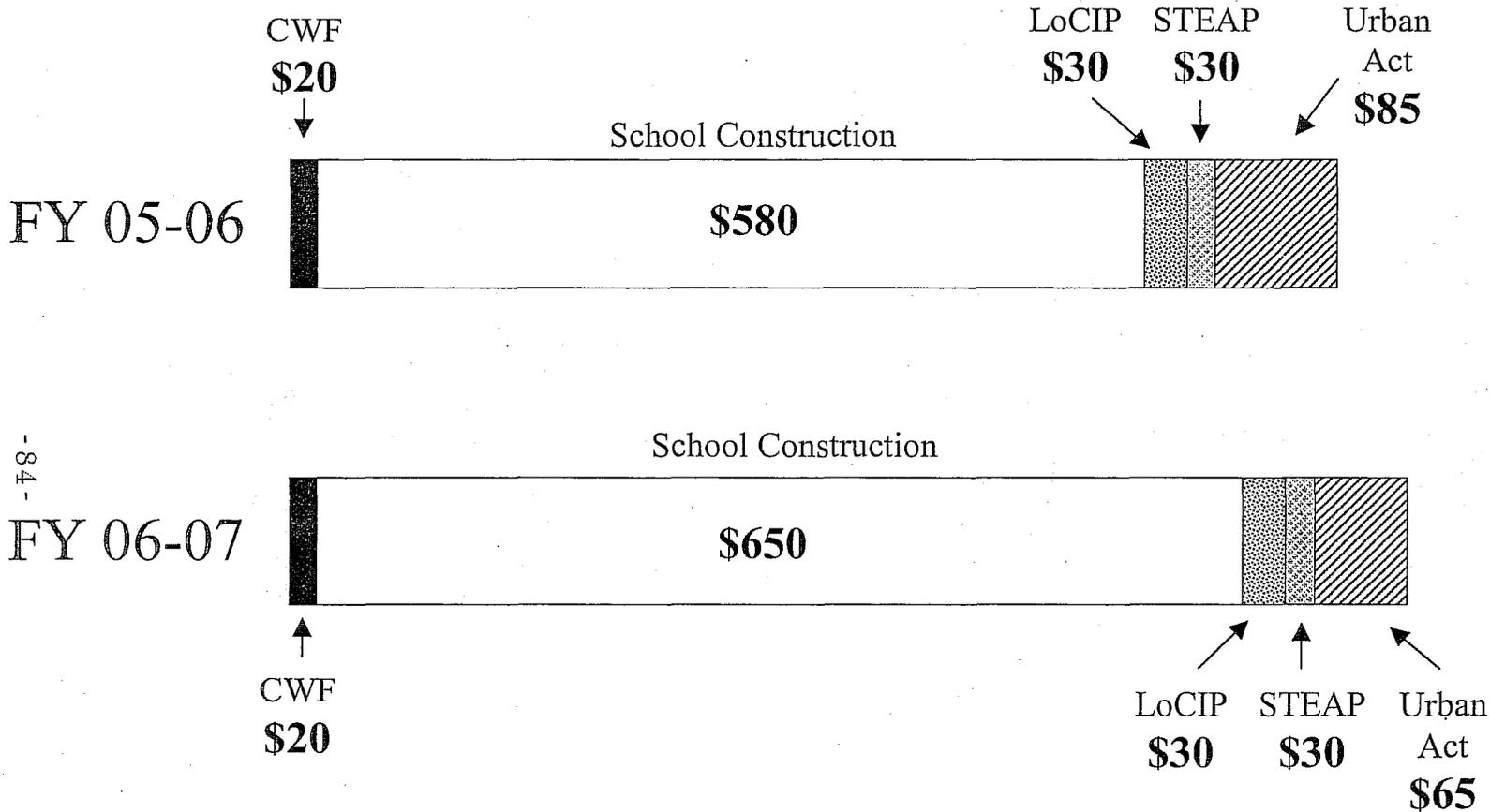
CLEAN WATER FUND G.O. BONDING WOULD REMAIN WELL BELOW DEP'S ESTIMATE OF NEED FOR FY 06-07



Source: Governor's Proposed Budget Revisions, FY 06- 07; Department of Environmental Protection's proposed financial assistance plan for the Clean Water Fund, Nov. 2005; and CCM.

OTHER BONDED GRANTS: FY 05-06 COMPARED TO FY 06-07 *

(\$ figures in millions)



Key:

CWF = Clean Water Fund

LoCIP = Local Capital Improvement Program

STEAP = Small Town Economic Assistance Program

* Includes g.o. bonds only.

Source: Governor's Budget Revisions, February 2006.

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GOVERNOR'S PROPOSED BUDGET REVISIONS FOR FY 06-07:

GOVERNOR PROPOSES SMALL INCREASE IN MUNICIPAL AID AND REPEAL OF PROPERTY TAXES ON MOST PASSENGER CARS

➔ Overall Funding to Municipalities

On Wednesday, February 8th, the Governor proposed revisions to the existing state budget for next year (FY 06-07). The Governor proposes only a *\$32.8 million (1.3%) increase in existing municipal aid programs over the current year (FY 05-06)*. This small increase includes a \$26.5 million (1.3%) increase in education aid and a \$6.0 million (1.4%) increase in non-education aid.



The Governor also proposes to eliminate the property tax on most privately owned (non-business) motor vehicles and to reimburse municipalities for 100% of the resulting revenue loss. This proposal would reduce municipally raised tax revenue by an estimated *\$497 million* in FY 06-07. The State would pay for this forgone property tax revenue by (1.) earmarking to municipalities the \$436 million in casino revenue received by the State and (2.) transferring \$61 million from the general fund.

The *Governor's proposal has serious flaws* that need to be corrected if it is to achieve its stated goals of providing property tax relief and fully reimbursing local governments for lost car-tax revenues. (For more detail on this proposal and CCM's concerns see pages 5 through 7.)

Failure to significantly increase municipal aid for next year, and modify the car tax proposal, will result in statewide property tax hikes and local service cutbacks.

➔ Education Assistance

ECS Grant

The Governor's FY 06-07 budget would include \$1,626.5 million for the ECS grant, *an increase of only \$7 million (0.4%) over the \$1,619.5 million in FY 05-06 (this year)*. The Governor's proposed increase would be the lowest in 10 years. Education costs are increasing at an annual rate of at least 6% per year; the ECS grant requires much more than a \$7 million increase. In FY 05-06, ECS aid increased by \$56 million.

Special Education

Excess Cost Grant – Student-based:

The Governor's FY 06-07 budget would include \$90.6 million for the Excess Cost – Student-based grant, *a \$1.75 million (2.0%) increase from the current year (\$88.8 million)*.

Excess Cost Grant – Equity:

The Governor's FY 06-07 budget would *eliminate funding* for the Excess Cost – Equity grant, a \$4 million (100%) reduction. The FY 05-06 (current year's) grant is \$3 million.

Combined, the two special education grants would be funded at \$90.6 million, \$1.2 million less than in FY 05-06. Special education costs now exceed \$1 billion per year in Connecticut and are the fastest growing part of K-12 public education budgets. Last year, these two special education grants were increased by \$25 million.

Magnet Schools

The Governor's FY 06-07 budget would include \$94.9 million for magnet schools, a \$9.8 million (11.5%) increase over the FY 05-06 appropriation. At this funding level, the ECS grant would be the only K-12 education program in the state budget larger than the magnet school program.

Public and Non-public School Transportation grants

The Governor's FY 06-07 budget would provide *no increase* for the public and non-public school transportation grant programs. These programs require more funding as growing magnet school enrollments mean more students are transported out-of-district. In addition, higher fuel costs are straining local transportation budgets.

The public school transportation grant would be funded at \$48 million and the non-public grant at \$4 million unless changes are made.

➔ Non-Education Assistance

Town Aid Road (TAR) Grant

The Governor's FY 06-07 budget would provide *no increase* for the \$28 million Town Aid Road grant.

The grant would still be less than the \$35 million in FY 2001-02 and prior years.

PILOT for Colleges and Hospitals

The Governor's FY 05-06 budget would provide *no increase* for the \$111.2 million PILOT for private college and hospital property.

The reimbursement rate for private colleges and hospitals would be 55% of lost real estate property tax revenue, *less than the 77% minimum* called for by present statutes. The PILOT program provides *no* reimbursement for lost *personal* property taxes.

PILOT for State-Owned Property

The Governor's FY 06-07 budget would provide *a small increase* in the \$77.9 million PILOT reimbursement for state-owned property. The \$78.1 million grant would increase by \$240,000 (0.3%).

The *reimbursement rate for state-owned property would be 34%* of lost real estate property tax revenue, *less than the 45% minimum* called for by present statute. The PILOT program provides *no* reimbursement for lost *personal* property taxes.

Mashantucket Pequot-Mohegan Grant

(Name would be changed to "Supplemental Municipal Assistance Grant")

The Governor's FY 06-07 budget would divert all Indian gaming revenues to help pay for the elimination of the property tax on passenger cars – an act that would leave no money for the existing Pequot-Mohegan Grant. To offset this loss, the Governor proposes a new grant called the Supplemental Municipal Assistance Grant, which would be drawn from the State's general fund. The new grant would be distributed in exactly the same way as the Pequot-Mohegan grant.

In its first year, the Supplemental Municipal Aid grant would be funded at \$91.1 million (the amount of funding already scheduled for the FY 06-07 Pequot-Mohegan grant). At \$91.1 million, this grant is *\$4.8 million (5.5%) larger than the \$86.3 million for the Pequot-Mohegan grant in FY 05-06.*

The distribution of the \$4.8 million increase would be (as agreed-upon last year for the Pequot-Mohegan grant) weighted toward towns that are members of the Southeastern Connecticut Council of Governments and to distressed municipalities that are members of the Northeastern Connecticut Council of Governments or the Windham Area Council of Governments.

DECD Housing PILOT and Tax Abatement Programs

The Governor's FY 06-07 budget would *eliminate* both of these programs, which last year (FY 05-06) were for \$2.2 and \$1.7 million, respectively. During last year's legislative session, both the Governor and the Appropriations Committee proposed eliminating these programs in their proposed budgets.

➔ **Bonding**

Clean Water Fund (CWF)

The Governor would provide *no increase* in general obligation bond authorizations for the CWF in 06-07. The Governor proposes \$20 million. At these funding levels, only 1/5 of "ready-to-proceed" FY 05-06 projects and only 1/7 of "ready-to-proceed" FY 06-07 projects can be funded.

Between 1987 and 2002, general obligation bonding for the CWF averaged \$47.9 million each year. From 2003 to 2007, general obligation bonding for CWF averaged (-\$7.6) million. This average includes rescissions of \$18 million in '03 and \$60 million in '04. There was no general obligation bonding for the CWF in '05.

Other Bond Authorizations

Urban Act: \$65 million, \$20 million less than in FY 05-06.

LoCIP: \$30 million, no increase over the FY 05-06 authorization.

STEAP: \$20 million, no increase over the FY 05-06 authorization.

School Construction: \$650 million, a \$70 million increase over the FY 05-06 authorization.

Fire Training Schools: \$10 million, in addition to a prior authorization of \$10 million.

➔ Other Proposals

Urban Violence

The Governor's proposed FY 06-07 budget would provide a total of \$5.92 million for an Urban Violence initiative, with \$4.25 million allocated to the Office of Policy and Management to provide grants to eligible municipalities to help prevent violent criminal activity involving young people in urban areas. The Governor's proposed budget would also provide \$238,000 to continue the Statewide Narcotics Task Force at its existing \$1,200 per officer stipend level to supplement the overtime expenses of municipalities.

Early Childhood Education

The Governor's proposed FY 06-07 budget outlines a plan to invest in the early education of young children:

- Increase the number of inner city children in preschool by 500.
- Add funding for five more communities to add preschool programs.
- Stabilize the financial situations of state-funded care centers.
- \$400,000 to initiate the creation of a true kindergarten assessment tool.
- \$4 million to *increase* the School Readiness-slot subsidy from \$7,750 to \$8,025 per child.
- \$1.7 million for Charter Schools that have "natural grade growth".

Transportation

The Governor's proposed FY 06-07 budget would add \$344 million for additional transportation capital improvements over the next seven fiscal years. A centerpiece of the proposal is \$146 million for the creation of commuter rail service between New Haven, Hartford and Springfield, including transit-oriented development along this corridor. The proposal includes an additional \$8.5 million in annual operating grants. The commuter rail and transit-oriented development proposal is aimed at promoting job growth.

The remainder of the \$344 million capital plan would be directed at several other initiatives, including the New Britain Busway, rail car rehabilitation, rail station and parking improvements, as well as support for ongoing operations.

Jobs

The Governor's FY 06-07 budget outlines a plan for job creation:

- Eliminate the Corporate Tax Surcharge, an estimated savings of \$47 million to businesses.
- Cut the Public Utilities Tax by 25% across-the-board, an estimated annual savings of \$44.9 million.
- Offer a Job Creation Tax Credit to companies creating new qualified jobs within the state, equal to 25% of the estimated withholding tax paid by the new employees.
- Offer a Displaced Worker Credit and Film Industry Tax Credit.
- Create a new Office of Economic Development Policy in the Governor's office and reorganize DECD into a new Department of Business and Employment (DBE).
- Include \$1.5 million for the Department of Labor for Governor Rell's 21st Century Jobs Program.
- Create a \$3 million loan-forgiveness program in the Department of Higher Education to encourage college students to enter "high needs" fields in the state, half of which will be available for students planning on becoming math or science teachers. (The DBE will decide which other fields will be included).

Energy

The Governor's proposed FY 06-07 budget would *create a new State Department of Energy* to help formulate and implement a statewide energy policy. The proposed budget calls for fully funding the Energy Conservation and Load Management Fund by eliminating the transfer of \$12 million earmarked for the General Fund, implementing the aforementioned Public Utilities Tax cut, and adding \$40 million to her Midterm Budget for state agencies with rising energy-related costs.

➔ **Governor's proposal to eliminate property taxes on most motor vehicles**

Description

Commencing on July 1, 2006, Connecticut residents would no longer pay property taxes on most cars and motorcycles. (Passenger vehicles leased on a long-term basis would also be exempt). The State would create a new grant called the Casino Assistance Revenue Grant (CAR), which would, supposedly, reimburse each town for the municipal revenue lost as a result of the car tax proposal. The Governor proposes to eliminate the \$400 property tax credit on the state personal income tax to help pay for the elimination of the car tax.

The CAR grant would be for \$497 million for fiscal years 06-07 through 09-10. In the first year \$436 million of CAR funds would be raised through the State's Indian gaming revenues (casino slot machine payments) and the remaining \$61 million would come from the general fund. In each subsequent year, a larger portion of the CAR grant would come from growing casino revenues and a smaller portion from the general fund.

Beginning in FY 10-11, the State's casino revenues are expected to be large enough to independently finance the amount in lost car tax revenues. For each year after FY 10-11, casino revenues would be dedicated to municipalities and all year-to-year increases in casino revenues would be passed on to each town in proportion to the reimbursement in FY 06-07.

According to the Governor, the program would pay each municipality a grant *equal to or greater than* the amount it would lose in revenue in FY 06-07. This is because cities and towns would be reimbursed for 100% of the property tax owed on all eligible vehicles, *even if a municipality's tax collection rate is less than 100%*.

To help pay for the program on an ongoing basis, the Governor proposes to (1.) eliminate the property tax credit on income taxes (\$325 million) and (2.) raise the rest through "natural revenue growth" and savings (\$172 million).

Flaws in car-tax proposal that need to be corrected

The Governor's proposal needs significant modification in order to ensure that it (1.) provides the intended relief to property taxpayers and (2.) does not undermine local government finances in the short-term and long-term.

The Governor's CAR grant proposal has been touted as reimbursing municipalities with a grant *equal to or greater than* the amount that it would lose in revenue in FY 06-07. However, the Governor's proposal *as drafted* in SB 50 does not do this.

The Governor's proposal would:

- Eliminate the personal property tax on most motor vehicles as of July 1, 2006.
- Not base reimbursement to municipalities on the current year's motor vehicle tax revenue (October 2004 motor vehicle grand list and January 2005 supplemental motor vehicle grand list, and FY 05-06 mill rate), let alone the FY 06-07 tax revenue (October 2005 motor vehicle grand list and January 2006 supplemental motor vehicle grand list, and FY 06-07 mill rate).
- Instead, use the October 2004 motor vehicle grand list and the January 2004 supplemental grand list for each community as the basis for determining each town's reimbursement.
- Use the FY 05-06 mill rate for the October 2004 grand list.
- Estimate the mill rate levied on the two-year-old (January 2004) motor vehicle supplementals using a ratio, not the actual mill rate.
- Create a loss for municipalities in which there is an independent motor vehicle mill rate and the FY 05-06 motor vehicle mill rate is higher than the mill rate on real property.

- Create a loss for all municipalities in which FY 06-07 motor vehicle mill rates have risen and/or the October 2005 passenger car grand list and January 2006 motor vehicle supplementals have grown from the 2004 grand lists used as the basis of the Governor's proposal.
- Reduce a municipality's mill rate (for purposes of calculating the grant) by 3% for each year prior to FY 05-06 that it did not conduct a revaluation.

In addition:

- The proposal would reimburse municipalities on a quarterly basis and create significant cash-flow problems for municipalities. Towns and cities now receive passenger car tax revenues in July and January of each fiscal year. The proposed payment schedule of the reimbursement should be changed to reduce negative cash-flow impacts on towns and cities.
- Dedicating, by use of an intercept fund, casino revenues to pay for this reimbursement program, and earmarking all increases in such revenues to municipalities, are good ideas. The intercept-fund approach would make it more difficult for the State to raid this fund in the future.

However, under the Governor's proposal, municipalities would not receive the growth in casino revenues until 2011, and the rate of growth in such revenues over the last three years has been 4%, 2%, and 2%, respectively. This should be changed so that municipalities would see a growth in this reimbursement every year at a level that approximates the growth they would receive if they were allowed to continue to collect the tax.

- The Governor proposes eliminating the property tax credit on the state personal income tax, in order to help fund elimination of the car tax. This would negate existing relief to residential property taxpayers. It is not a proper tradeoff. One form of tax relief should not be sacrificed for another. The credit should be retained and increased, as existing statute provides.

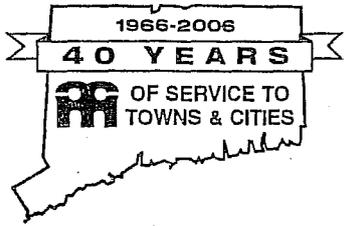


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TO: CCM Legislative Committee

FROM: Jim Finley
Ron ThomasRE: **Analysis of Bush Administration's FY 2007 Budget Proposal**

Below is material CCM received from the National League of Cities (NLC) on President Bush's federal budget proposal and its impact on towns and cities. CCM is working to obtain Connecticut-specific information, and will forward that to you once it is received.

The Bush Administration's proposed \$2.77 trillion fiscal year 2007 budget would increase overall spending by 2.25 percent above last year's budget, but cut non-defense discretionary spending by \$2.2 billion from current levels, touching programs that are important to cities. For instance, the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program would remain at the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD); however, the budget proposal slashes the CDBG program to \$3.03 billion, which is 25 percent lower than its current funding level of \$4.178 billion.

The Administration's budget plan proposes to save \$15 billion by eliminating or significantly reducing 141 federal programs, with 42 coming from the Department of Education. The Administration's plan also relies upon \$65.2 billion saved over five years by slowing the growth of entitlement spending, primarily on Medicare and Medicaid. However, the recent legislative struggle to enact a budget reconciliation bill (S. 1932) that limits entitlement spending by only \$39 billion over five years, or less than one percent of total entitlement spending, indicates the political and policy difficulties facing the Administration's proposal.

The Administration's budget blueprint also relies on assumptions for the years beyond 2007 including no military expenditures in Iraq or Afghanistan, making permanent tax cuts that would cost \$280 billion over five years, and no reform of the Alternative Minimum Tax, which would generate tremendous tax revenue but at the expense of the middle class. Many economists and budget experts discount these long-term assumptions as unrealistic because the economic future is difficult to predict with certainty, as are the actions of Congress. "We can't grow our way out of these problems," said former Congressional Budget Office Director Douglas Holz-Eakin.

For cities, the FY07 budget proposal represents continued assaults on key programs. NLC will continue its national leadership role to save CDBG and preserve sufficient funding. The collaborative efforts of state leagues with NLC last year helped preserve CDBG, and advocacy efforts are already underway this year.

The following highlights by policy area provide more details about the Administration's fiscal year 2007 budget proposal.

Community Development Block Grant

The President's budget includes a modified version of the "Strengthening America's Communities Initiative" (SACI) that NLC persuaded Congress to reject last year. This year, the SACI proposal keeps the CDBG program at the Department of Housing and Urban Development, which is a victory for NLC members. Unfortunately, the new SACI proposal consolidates three programs under CDBG: the Section 108 Loan Guarantee program, the Brownfields Revitalization Program, and the Economic Development Initiative grant program. The budget proposal would slash the CDBG program to \$3.032 billion in FY07, which is 25 percent below last year's enacted level of \$4.178 billion. The Administration's budget would cut formula funding for direct grants to cities and states to \$2.774 billion from \$3.711 billion in FY06. NLC and its coalition partners are calling on Congress to reverse the trend in de-investment in cities and fund CDBG formula grants at \$4.5 billion.

The President's budget also calls on Congress to consider reforms that would re-focus the CDBG formula on poorer communities. Given the drastic cuts in funding to the CDBG program, altering the formula in the way envisioned by the Administration would likely result in cutting off CDBG funding to hundreds of cities. Moreover, the Administration would award "bonus CDBG funds" on a competitive basis to cities that demonstrate progress in expanding homeownership, making a program praised for its reliability more difficult for cities to access. No legislation has been introduced yet to enact the Administration's CDBG proposals, and indications are that in this election-shortened legislative year, the congressional committees responsible for CDBG oversight may find it difficult to address CDBG reform.

Housing

The President's budget is generally good for federal housing programs, increasing funding for the Section 8 rental assistance program by almost \$1 billion. The HOME program for construction of affordable housing is increased by nine percent to \$1.9 billion. In 2005, the HOME program completed over 80,000 units of affordable housing. Homeless Assistance grants are increased by \$212 million, which will be used to help create and run approximately 12,000 new units of supportive housing. The HOPE VI program, designed to demolish uninhabitable public housing and rebuild as mixed income communities is again not funded in the Administration's budget. President Bush has proposed eliminating the HOPE VI program every year while in office, to the consternation of many supporters in Congress. Normally a safe bet for funding, however, the HOPE VI program is in real danger of complete elimination this year due to perception that the program is "excessively costly" compared to other programs.

Homeland Security

The Administration's FY07 budget contains an overall 7 percent increase in homeland security funding. The proposed budget increases funding for the State Formula Grants Program. The budget, however, proposes to change the program's distribution formula structure from a formula

grant to a discretionary grant. It would also move toward more risk-based allocations with each state receiving a minimum allocation of one-quarter of one percent (.25 percent) of the total funds appropriated. Additionally, the Administration proposes reallocating approximately 13 percent in the First Responder grants programs to underwrite the Department's overall funding increase. The FY07 budget would eliminate the Law Enforcement Terrorism Prevention Program (LETPP), currently funded at \$385 million. The Firefighter Assistance Grants Program is cut by \$361 million to \$294 million for FY07. Emergency Management and Performance grants (EMPG) - the federal government's main grant program for emergency management agencies - would also face a \$15 million cut.

On a more positive note, the Administration is dedicating more funding toward the Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI) Program which provides additional funding for metropolitan regions with large populations and key assets. Under the Administration's budget proposal, however, states must spend at least 20 percent of their UASI and state homeland security grants on law enforcement prevention. The Administration has also increased funding for customs and border protection.

In response to the various natural disasters that pummeled the nation in 2005, the Administration's budget proposal would raise funding for the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) to \$3.1 billion, an increase of \$363 million from last year's level. Related, the Administration's budget contains a new \$50 million program, the National Preparedness Integration Program, to address preparedness planning at the state level, including evacuation plans and emergency communications plans.

Finally, the Administration's budget proposal for the Department of Justice cuts or eliminates programs that benefit state and local government by approximately \$1.4 billion. The State Criminal Alien Assistance Program (SCAAP) which provides funding for the incarceration of illegal immigrants was eliminated for the fifth year in the FY07 budget request. Congress funded SCAAP at \$400 million in Fiscal Year 2006.

Transportation

The Administration's \$65.6 billion FY 2007 transportation budget proposal while encouraging in some areas, contains cautionary signals that should concern municipalities. The FY07 budget proposal fully funds the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU), the federal surface transportation program that President Bush signed into law last summer (P.L. 109-59). "Our transportation network is the backbone of the strongest and most dynamic economy in the world," said Secretary of Transportation Norman Mineta. "So this budget looks to the future, setting the stage for modernizing our financing as well as our infrastructure."

For the Airport Improvement Program (AIP), the future looks uncertain because the Administration's budget would reduce AIP capital grants to \$2.75 billion, a 22 percent cut from last year's budget proposal. The Administration claims that this lower figure is sufficient to fund construction of all planned new runways, while reallocating AIP funds to pay for more air traffic controllers and safety inspectors.

The Administration's budget suggests that airports "can meet infrastructure needs through revenues generated from passenger facilities charges." Despite this suggestion, Secretary Mineta warned that the current system for financing transportation is inadequate. The Administration's budget, for instance, sets aside \$100 million for a five-state pilot program to test alternatives to the gasoline fuel tax. "There is a growing consensus that traditional gasoline taxes and airline ticket taxes are not adequate to the task of supporting 21st century transportation needs," said Secretary Mineta. He also said that the Administration soon would propose a reauthorization plan for the Aviation Trust Fund, which expires at the end of fiscal year 2007, that creates a more direct relationship between revenues collected and services provided.

Related, the Administration continues to use its budget proposal as a hammer to leverage reform of Amtrak, the national passenger rail service. "In last year's budget, [the Administration] demanded reform," said Secretary Mineta. "Amtrak needs a sustainable framework for convenient, high-quality passenger rail service." The Administration's proposed budget for Amtrak is \$900 million, 44 percent less than Amtrak's current funding level. This figure includes \$500 million for capital needs and \$400 million for operating grants allocated by Secretary Mineta, not Amtrak.

The Administration's fiscal year 2007 proposal for transportation spending also includes these components important to municipalities:

Highways. The budget would obligate \$39.1 billion for highways, which is \$3.4 billion more than last year's enacted amount, reflecting the implementation of SAFETEA-LU and its commitment to improved highway safety and mobility.

Public Transportation. The Bush administration budget obligates \$8.875 billion in funding for public transportation, which is \$371 million more than last year's enacted total. Within this total is a request for \$1.466 billion in major capital investment grants for the "New Starts" program to finance commuter rail, light rail, heavy rail, and bus rapid transit projects. While SAFETEA-LU expanded eligibility for New Starts, this figure is slightly lower than the FY 2006 request of \$1.53 billion. The Administration's proposal also calls for approximately \$7.3 billion in formula grants, the authorized amount under SAFETEA-LU, which is more than the \$6.9 billion enacted last year.

Airport Improvement. The proposed FY07 budget preserves funding for the Essential Air Services program at \$50 million, which was last year's level. The Administration's budget does not include new money for the Small Communities Air Service Development Program, which will operate until its current funds are spent.

Energy, Environment & Natural Resources

The Administration's FY07 budget proposes a significant increase in energy research, but continues to reduce funding for water infrastructure. Continued funding battles also loom over the Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP), as the timely issue of high energy prices for home heating remains an ongoing discussion. The Administration's budget proposes \$1.8 billion for LIHEAP for fiscal year 2007, and assumes the additional infusion of another \$1 billion, which has already been appropriated by Congress for this year. However, if

Congress credits back the \$1 billion to FY2006 as currently under consideration, the remaining \$1.8 billion would represent a significant decrease from previous levels.

The Clean Water State Revolving Fund is hit hard in the Administration's budget, dropping to \$688 million from \$877 million last year and \$1.1 billion in FY2005. The Drinking Water State Revolving Fund essentially holds steady at \$842 million. The Administration's plan contains a new \$7 million research initiative for the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to evaluate new technologies aimed at reducing the costs of operating and replacing water infrastructure.

Finally, the Administration's budget proposes a slight increase for the Superfund program bringing it to \$1.26 billion, while the brownfields grant program remains flat at \$89 million.

Social Services

The Administration's FY07 budget includes drastic cuts to two important programs that deliver social services funding to local governments. The Social Services Block Grant (also known as Title XX), a federal entitlement program, faces a \$500 million cut. The budget proposal also eliminates the Community Services Block Grant (CSBG), a \$640 million program to fight poverty in local communities and help serve needy immigrant families.

Health Care

The Administration's budget proposal increased funding for Community Health Centers, a top priority for President Bush, by \$181 million to provide health services to 1.2 million additional persons. The FY07 budget also includes \$169 million for implementation of health information technology nationwide. Though this money does not go directly to local governments, NLC's Working Group on Health Care concluded this initiative will be a key factor in reducing health care cost overall.

Education

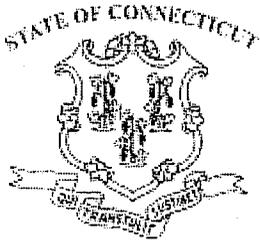
The Administration's budget plan proposes important modifications to federal education programs. Under the Administration's budget, Title I grants to low-income school districts received a modest increase of \$200 million. This \$200 million will be specifically directed to the new Title I School Improvement Grant Program for schools identified in need of improvement, corrective action or restructuring under the No Child Left Behind law. The Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) that provides federal funding for local special education programs would receive an increase of \$100 million, which remains insufficient to meet the federal law requirement of 40 percent to local education agencies for IDEA costs. The proposed amount moves the federal share to special education to under 20 percent.

Finally, both Head Start and the 21st Century Community Learning Centers (Afterschool) program were level funded from last year at \$6.7 billion and \$981 million, respectively.

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Bill No. 50

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Referred to Committee on Finance, Revenue and Bonding

Introduced by:

SEN. DELUCA, 32nd Dist.

REP. WARD, 86th Dist.

AN ACT ELIMINATING THE PERSONAL PROPERTY TAX ON CERTAIN MOTOR VEHICLES AND ESTABLISHING A CASINO ASSISTANCE REVENUE FUND.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

Section 1. (NEW) (Effective July 1, 2006) There is established a Casino Assistance Revenue Fund which shall be a separate nonlapsing fund administered by the State Treasurer. The fund shall contain any moneys required by law to be deposited in the fund. Investment earnings credited to the assets of the fund shall become part of the assets of the fund. All moneys in the fund shall be used for the purposes of section 8 of this act.

Sec. 2. (NEW) (Effective July 1, 2006) On and after August 1, 2006, all funds received by the state pursuant to a memorandum of understanding with an Indian tribe, shall be deposited into the Casino Assistance Revenue Fund established by section 1 of this act.

Sec. 3. (NEW) (Effective July 1, 2006) (a) For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2007, to June 30, 2011, inclusive, if the amount payable in accordance with section 8 of this act is greater than the amount of funds expected to be received pursuant to section 2 of this act, there shall be a transfer as specified in subsection (b) of this section from the resources of the General Fund to the fund created in section 1 of this act of an amount equal to the difference between the amount of said total grant payable and the amount of funds expected to be received pursuant to section 2 of this act.

(b) The Office of Policy and Management shall notify the Comptroller of the amount to be transferred from the General Fund pursuant to subsection (a) of this section. During the fiscal years ending June 30, 2007, to June 30, 2011, inclusive, the Comptroller shall transfer one-half of such amount on or before the thirty-first day of July of such fiscal year, one-quarter of such

amount on or before the thirty-first day of January of such fiscal year, and any amount required to equal the total grant payable in accordance with section 8 of this act, on or before the thirty-first day of July in the following fiscal year.

Sec. 4. Section 3-55i of the 2006 supplement to the general statutes is repealed and the following is substitute in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2006*):

There is established the ["Mashantucket Pequot and Mohegan Fund" which shall be a separate nonlapsing fund. All funds received by the state of Connecticut from the Mashantucket Pequot Tribe pursuant to the joint memorandum of understanding entered into by and between the state and the tribe on January 13, 1993, as amended on April 30, 1993, and any successor thereto, shall be deposited in the General Fund. During the fiscal year ending June 30, 2000, and each fiscal year thereafter, one hundred thirty-five million dollars, received by the state from the tribe pursuant to said joint memorandum of understanding, as amended, and any successor thereto, shall be transferred to the Mashantucket Pequot and Mohegan Fund and] Supplemental Municipal Assistance Grant which shall be paid from the General Fund.

Commencing with the fiscal year ending June 30, 2007, and each fiscal year thereafter, eighty-six million two hundred fifty thousand dollars shall be distributed by the Office of Policy and Management, during [said] such fiscal year, in accordance with the provisions of section 3-55j, as amended by this act. The amount of the grant payable to each municipality during any fiscal year, in accordance with said section, shall be reduced proportionately if the total of such grants exceeds the amount of funds available for such year. The grant shall be paid in three installments as follows: The Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management shall, annually, not later than the fifteenth day of December, the fifteenth day of March and the fifteenth day of June certify to the Comptroller the amount due each municipality under the provisions of section 3-55j, as amended by this act, and the Comptroller shall draw an order on the Treasurer on or before the fifth business day following the fifteenth day of December, the fifth business day following the fifteenth day of March and the fifth business day following the fifteenth day of June and the Treasurer shall pay the amount thereof to such municipality on or before the first day of January, the first day of April and the thirtieth day of June.

Sec. 5. Section 3-55j of the 2006 supplement to the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2006*):

(a) Twenty million dollars of the moneys available in the [Mashantucket Pequot and Mohegan Fund] Supplemental Municipal Assistance Grant established by section 3-55i, as amended by this act, shall be paid to municipalities eligible for a state grant in lieu of taxes pursuant to section 12-19a in addition to the grants payable to such municipalities pursuant to section 12-19a, subject to the provisions of subsection (b) of this section. Such grant shall be calculated under the provisions of section 12-19a and shall equal one-third of the additional amount which such municipalities would be eligible to receive if the total amount available for distribution were eighty-five million two hundred five thousand eighty-five dollars and the percentage of reimbursement set forth in section 12-19a were increased to reflect such amount. Any eligible special services district shall receive a portion of the grant payable under this subsection to the town in which such district is located. The portion payable to any such district under this subsection shall be the amo - 102 - he grant to the town under this

subsection which results from application of the district mill rate to exempt property in the district. As used in this subsection and subsection (c) of this section, "eligible special services district" means any special services district created by a town charter, having its own governing body and for the assessment year commencing October 1, 1996, containing fifty per cent or more of the value of total taxable property within the town in which such district is located.

(b) No municipality shall receive a grant pursuant to subsection (a) of this section which, when added to the amount of the grant payable to such municipality pursuant to section 12-19a, would exceed one hundred per cent of the property taxes which would have been paid with respect to all state-owned real property, except for the exemption applicable to such property, on the assessment list in such municipality for the assessment date two years prior to the commencement of the state fiscal year in which such grants are payable, except that, notwithstanding the provisions of said subsection (a), no municipality shall receive a grant pursuant to said subsection which is less than one thousand six hundred sixty-seven dollars.

(c) Twenty million one hundred twenty-three thousand nine hundred sixteen dollars of the moneys available in the [Mashantucket Pequot and Mohegan Fund] Supplemental Municipal Assistance Grant established by section 3-55i, as amended by this act, shall be paid to municipalities eligible for a state grant in lieu of taxes pursuant to section 12-20a, in addition to and in the same proportion as the grants payable to such municipalities pursuant to section 12-20a, subject to the provisions of subsection (d) of this section. Any eligible special services district shall receive a portion of the grant payable under this subsection to the town in which such district is located. The portion payable to any such district under this subsection shall be the amount of the grant to the town under this subsection which results from application of the district mill rate to exempt property in the district.

(d) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (c) of this section, no municipality shall receive a grant pursuant to said subsection which, when added to the amount of the grant payable to such municipality pursuant to section 12-20a, would exceed one hundred per cent of the property taxes which, except for any exemption applicable to any private nonprofit institution of higher education, nonprofit general hospital facility or free standing chronic disease hospital under the provisions of section 12-81, as amended, would have been paid with respect to such exempt real property on the assessment list in such municipality for the assessment date two years prior to the commencement of the state fiscal year in which such grants are payable.

(e) Thirty-five million dollars of the moneys available in the [Mashantucket Pequot and Mohegan Fund] Supplemental Municipal Assistance Grant established by section 3-55i, as amended by this act, shall be paid to municipalities in accordance with the provisions of section 7-528, except that for the purposes of section 7-528, "adjusted equalized net grand list per capita" means the equalized net grand list divided by the total population of a town, as defined in subdivision (7) of subsection (a) of section 10-261, multiplied by the ratio of the per capita income of the town to the per capita income of the town at the one hundredth percentile among all towns in the state ranked from lowest to highest in per capita income, and "equalized net grand list" means the net grand - 103 -uch town upon which taxes were levied

for the general expenses of such town two years prior to the fiscal year in which a grant is to be paid, equalized in accordance with section 10-261a.

(f) Five million four hundred seventy-five thousand dollars of the moneys available in the [Mashantucket Pequot and Mohegan Fund] Supplemental Municipal Assistance Grant established by section 3-55i, as amended by this act, shall be paid to the following municipalities in accordance with the provisions of section 7-528, except that for the purposes of said section 7-528, "adjusted equalized net grand list per capita" means the equalized net grand list divided by the total population of a town, as defined in subdivision (7) of subsection (a) of section 10-261, multiplied by the ratio of the per capita income of the town to the per capita income of the town at the one hundredth percentile among all towns in the state ranked from lowest to highest in per capita income, and "equalized net grand list" means the net grand list of such town upon which taxes were levied for the general expenses of such town two years prior to the fiscal year in which a grant is to be paid, equalized in accordance with section 10-261a: Bridgeport, Hamden, Hartford, Meriden, New Britain, New Haven, New London, Norwalk, Norwich, Waterbury and Windham.

(g) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsections (a) to (f), inclusive, of this section, the total grants paid to the following municipalities from the moneys available in the [Mashantucket Pequot and Mohegan Fund] Supplemental Municipal Assistance Grant established by section 3-55i, as amended by this act, shall be as follows:

T1	Bloomfield	\$ 267,489
T2	Bridgeport	10,506,506
T3	Bristol	1,004,050
T4	Chaplin	141,725
T5	Danbury	1,612,564
T6	Derby	432,162
T7	East Hartford	522,421
T8	East Lyme	488,160
T9	Groton	2,037,088
T10	Hamden	1,592,270
T11	Manchester	1,014,244
T12	Meriden	1,537,900
T13	Middletown	2,124,960
T14	Milford	676,535
T15	New Britain	3,897,434
T16	New London	2,649,363
T17	North Haven	268,582
T18	Norwalk	1,451,367
T19	Norwich	1,662,147

T20	Preston	461,939
T21	Rocky Hill	477,950
T22	Stamford	1,570,767
T23	Union	38,101
T24	Voluntown	156,902
T25	Waterbury	5,179,655
T26	Wethersfield	371,629
T27	Windham	1,307,974
T28	Windsor Locks	754,833

(h) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 1999, and each fiscal year thereafter, if the amount of grant payable to a municipality in accordance with this section is increased as the result of an appropriation to the [Mashantucket Pequot and Mohegan Fund] Supplemental Municipal Assistance Grant for such fiscal year which exceeds eighty-five million dollars, the portion of the grant payable to each eligible service district, in accordance with subsections (a) and (c) of this section shall be increased by the same proportion as the grant payable to such municipality under this section as a result of said increased appropriation.

(i) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2003, to the fiscal year ending June 30, 2006, inclusive, the municipalities of Ledyard, Montville, Norwich, North Stonington and Preston shall each receive a grant of five hundred thousand dollars which shall be paid from the [Mashantucket Pequot and Mohegan Fund] Supplemental Municipal Assistance Grant established by section 3-55i, as amended by this act, and which shall be in addition to the grants paid to said municipalities pursuant to subsections (a) to (g), inclusive, of this section.

(j) For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2000, June 30, 2001, and June 30, 2002, the sum of forty-nine million seven hundred fifty thousand dollars shall be paid to municipalities, and for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2003, and each fiscal year thereafter, the sum of forty-seven million five hundred thousand dollars shall be paid to municipalities, in accordance with this subsection, from the [Mashantucket Pequot and Mohegan Fund] Supplemental Municipal Assistance Grant established by section 3-55i, as amended by this act. The grants payable under this subsection shall be used to proportionately increase the amount of the grants payable to each municipality in accordance with subsections (a) to (i), inclusive, of this section and shall be in addition to the grants payable under subsections (a) to (g), inclusive, of this section.

(k) The amount of the grant payable to each municipality in accordance with subsection (j) of this section shall be reduced proportionately in the event that the total of the grants payable to each municipality pursuant to this section exceeds the amount appropriated for such grants with respect to such year.

Sec. 6. Section 3-55l of the 2006 supplement to the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2006*):

(a) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2006, the municipalities of Ledyard, Montville, Norwich, North Stonington and Preston shall each receive a grant of two hundred fifty thousand dollars which shall be paid from the [Mashantucket Pequot and Mohegan Fund] Supplemental Municipal Assistance Grant established by section 3-55i, as amended by this act, and which shall be in addition to the grants paid to said municipalities pursuant to section 3-55j, as amended by this act.

(b) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2007, and each fiscal year thereafter, the municipalities of Ledyard, Montville, Norwich, North Stonington and Preston shall each receive a grant of seven hundred fifty thousand dollars which shall be paid from said [fund] grant and which shall be in addition to the grants paid to said municipalities pursuant to section 3-55j, as amended by this act.

(c) The grants payable in accordance with this section shall be determined prior to the determination of grants pursuant to said section 3-55j, as amended by this act, and shall not be reduced proportionately if the total of the grants payable to each municipality pursuant to said section exceeds the amount appropriated for grants pursuant to section 3-55i, as amended by this act, with respect to each such year.

Sec. 7. Subsection (b) of section 22a-27j of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2006*):

(b) Not later than three months following the close of each fiscal year starting with fiscal year July 1, 2000, the Department of Environmental Protection shall identify those municipalities that are not in compliance with subsection (a) of this section for the previous fiscal year and shall provide the Office of Policy and Management with a list of such municipalities. The list shall be submitted annually and in such manner as the Office of Policy and Management may require. The Office of Policy and Management, when issuing the first payment from the [Mashantucket Pequot and Mohegan Fund] Supplemental Municipal Assistance Grant established pursuant to section 3-55i, as amended by this act, in the fiscal year during which said list is received, shall reduce said payment to a municipality by one thousand dollars for each quarter of the preceding fiscal year that the municipality has not been in compliance with subsection (a) of this section to a maximum of four thousand dollars in each fiscal year. The Office of Policy and Management shall certify to the State Comptroller the amount of any funds withheld under this subsection to be transferred to the Environmental Quality Fund for the uses set forth in subsection (a) of this section, and the State Comptroller shall cause said amount to be transferred to such fund.

Sec. 8. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2006*) (a) Each municipality that levied a property tax in the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2005, for motor vehicles assessed on such municipality's grand list of October 1, 2004, shall be entitled to an annual grant determined in accordance with this section. As used in this section, "municipality" means any town, consolidated town and city, consolidated town and borough, borough, district, as defined in section 7-324 of the general statutes, and any city not consolidated with a town.

(b) (1) The Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management shall determine the amount

payable to each municipality from the fund created under section 1 of this act. The total amount of each municipality's grant shall be the sum of the amounts derived from the calculations made pursuant to subsections (d) and (e) of this section. Said secretary shall certify to the Comptroller four payments in each fiscal year, each of which shall equal twenty-five per cent of the total amount of the grant to which each municipality is entitled. The Comptroller shall draw an order on the Treasurer on or before the fifth business day following the date on which said secretary certifies each such payment and the Treasurer shall pay the amount thereof to such municipality not later than the last day of the month during which the Comptroller's order is drawn. For the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2006, and each fiscal year thereafter, said secretary shall certify such payments to the Comptroller on or before the fifteenth day of September, the fifteenth day of October, the fifteenth day of March and the fifteenth day of April.

(2) In any fiscal year during which the total amount the Treasurer receives, pursuant to section 2 of this act, is in excess of the total amount of the grants paid under this section during said fiscal year, the amount of said excess revenue shall be distributed proportionately to municipalities in the first grant payment said secretary certifies in the fiscal year next following.

(c) (1) Except as provided in subdivision (2) of this subsection, a municipality's tax rate shall be the result derived by dividing the total tax a municipality levied in the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2005, for the taxable motor vehicles assessed on said municipality's grand list of October 1, 2004, by the total net assessment of such motor vehicles.

(2) In the event a town or consolidated town and city levied a tax for motor vehicles in the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2005, at a single mill rate that differs from the mill rate or rates the town or consolidated town and city used to determine the real property tax levy for said fiscal year, the tax rate for such town or consolidated town and city shall be determined as follows: The total tax the town or consolidated town and city levied in the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2005, for the taxable motor vehicles assessed on such town's or consolidated town and city's grand list of October 1, 2004, shall be divided by the mill rate the taxing jurisdiction used to levy the tax on such vehicles and the result shall be multiplied by the highest mill rate such town or consolidated town and city used to determine the real property tax levy in said fiscal year.

(3) The adjusted tax rate for each municipality shall be calculated by multiplying the tax rate determined under this subsection by a percentage as follows: One hundred per cent for a municipality that last implemented a revaluation effective October 1, 2004; ninety-seven per cent for a municipality that last implemented a revaluation effective October 1, 2003; ninety-four per cent for a municipality that last implemented a revaluation effective October 1, 2002; ninety-one per cent for a municipality that last implemented a revaluation effective October 1, 2001; eighty-eight per cent for a municipality that last implemented a revaluation effective October 1, 2000; and eighty-five per cent for a municipality that last implemented a revaluation effective October 1, 1999.

(d) Each municipality's adjusted tax rate shall be multiplied by the total of the net assessments

included on the October 1, 2004 grand list for all passenger vehicles and motorcycles, as defined in section 14-1 of the 2006 supplement to the general statutes, with respect to which the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles issued a registration that did not allow use of such passenger vehicle or motorcycle for commercial purposes or for a combination of passenger and commercial purposes, and with respect to which a property tax was levied in the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2005, provided: (1) A natural person owned such passenger vehicle or motorcycle; or (2) a natural person leased such passenger vehicle or motorcycle pursuant to a written agreement with the lessor, the terms of which assign to such natural person responsibility for the payment of the property tax for such passenger vehicle or motorcycle, regardless of the method by which such assignment occurred, and further provided the lessor is a licensee, in accordance with section 14-15 of the general statutes, who is engaged primarily in leasing motor vehicles on a long-term basis, rather than in renting motor vehicles on a per diem basis.

(e) (1) Except as provided in subdivision (2) of this subsection, the percentage that the total net assessment for all passenger vehicles and motorcycles, described in subsection (d) of this section, bears to the total net assessment of all motor vehicles for which the municipality levied a tax for the assessment year commencing October 1, 2004, shall be multiplied by the total tax levied in the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2004, for all taxable motor vehicles assessed on the municipality's October 1, 2003 supplemental grand list.

(2) For any town or consolidated town and city that levied a tax for motor vehicles in the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2004, at a single mill rate that differs from the mill rate or rates such town or consolidated town and city used to determine the real property tax levy for said fiscal year, said secretary shall calculate the total tax levy for all motor vehicles assessed by such town or consolidated town and city on the October 1, 2003, supplemental grand list as follows: The total tax the town or consolidated town and city levied in the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2005, for the taxable motor vehicles assessed on said municipality's October 1, 2003, supplemental grand list, shall be divided by the mill rate the taxing jurisdiction used to levy the tax on such vehicles and the result shall be multiplied by the highest mill rate said town or consolidated town and city used to determine the real property tax levy for said fiscal year. The total tax levy for the October 1, 2003, supplemental grand list so calculated for such town or consolidated town and city shall be multiplied by the percentage that the total net assessment for all passenger motor vehicles and motorcycles, described in subsection (d) of this section, bears to the total net assessment of all taxable motor vehicles on such town's or consolidated town and city's grand list of October 1, 2004.

(f) Each municipality shall submit any data the secretary may require for the purpose of determining the grant under this section in a form and manner as said secretary may prescribe. Upon receipt of a request from said secretary, a municipality shall provide any additional information said secretary may require with respect to the data submitted. Said secretary may revise a municipality's grant upon finding that such grant was determined on the basis of inaccurate data or an incorrect calculation. Any addition or reduction to a municipality's grant due to any such a revision shall be reflected in any remaining payments said secretary certifies in the fiscal year during which said grant is revised or in the fiscal year

next following.

Sec. 9. Section 12-81 of the 2006 supplement to the general statutes is amended by adding subdivision (76) as follows (*Effective from passage and applicable to assessment years commencing on or after October 1, 2005*):

(NEW) (76) Each passenger vehicle and motorcycle, as defined in section 14-1 of the 2006 supplement to the general statutes, with respect to which the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles issues a registration that does not allow the use of such passenger vehicle or motorcycle for commercial purposes or for a combination of passenger and commercial purposes, and which: (A) A natural person owns; or (B) a natural person leases pursuant to a written lease agreement, the terms of which assign responsibility for any potential property tax payment to said natural person, regardless of whether a charge for such tax is separately stated in such lease agreement, or on a bill or invoice that may be rendered to such natural person by either a taxing jurisdiction or the lessor, and further provided said lessor is a licensee, under section 14-15 of the general statutes, who engages primarily in the long-term leasing of motor vehicles, rather than in renting motor vehicles on a per diem basis.

Sec. 10. Section 14-163 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2006*):

(a) The commissioner shall compile information concerning motor vehicles and snowmobiles subject to property taxation pursuant to [section 12-71] chapter 203 using the records of the Department of Motor Vehicles and information reported by owners of motor vehicles and snowmobiles. In addition to any other information the owner of a motor vehicle or snowmobile is required to file with the commissioner by law, such owner shall provide the commissioner with the name of the town in which such owner's motor vehicle or snowmobile is to be set in the list for property tax purposes, pursuant to [section 12-71] chapter 203. On or before December 1, 2004, and annually thereafter, the commissioner shall furnish to each assessor in this state a list identifying motor vehicles and snowmobiles that are subject to property taxation in each such assessor's town. Said list shall include the names and addresses of the owners of such motor vehicles and snowmobiles, together with the vehicle identification numbers for all such vehicles for which such numbers are available.

(b) On or before October 1, 2004, and annually thereafter, the commissioner shall furnish to each assessor in this state a list identifying motor vehicles and snowmobiles in each such assessor's town that were registered subsequent to the first day of October of the assessment year immediately preceding, but prior to the first day of August in such assessment year, and that are subject to property taxation on a supplemental list pursuant to [section 12-71b] chapter 203. In addition to the information for each such vehicle and snowmobile specified under subsection (a) of this section that is available to the commissioner, the list provided under this subsection shall include a code related to the date of registration of each such vehicle or snowmobile.

Sec. 11. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2006*) (a) Any person, firm or corporation licensed pursuant to section 14-15 of the general statutes, having ex - 109 -a written agreement with a natural

person for the lease of a passenger vehicle or motorcycle that is exempt from property taxation pursuant to subdivision (76) of section 12-81, as amended by this act, shall, if such agreement provides for the collection of a periodic fee for all or a portion of a property tax liability assigned to such natural person, return or cause to be credited to any periodic fee remaining under such agreement any amount collected toward the payment of a property tax liability that is eliminated as a result of the effective date of this section. Any such licensee shall reopen and renegotiate the terms of any such written agreement in order to remove the provisions that allow for the collection of any such fee for future payments of a property tax with respect to such passenger vehicle.

(b) On or before the first day of October of each year, each such licensee who leases a passenger vehicle or motorcycle that is exempt from property taxation pursuant to subdivision (76) of section 12-81, as amended by this act, shall submit to the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles, in the form and manner said commissioner may require, information concerning the name and address of each natural person leasing such a passenger vehicle or motorcycle from said licensee.

Sec. 12. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2006*) If the provisions of this act would cause any person to lose the benefit of a property tax exemption to which such person is entitled as of October 1, 2005, the assessor shall transfer the amount of said exemption to other eligible property of such person that is subject to taxation for the assessment year commencing October 1, 2005.

Sec. 13. Section 12-704c of the 2006 supplement to the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage and applicable to taxable years commencing on or after January 1, 2006*):

(a) Any resident of this state, as defined in subdivision (1) of subsection (a) of section 12-701, as amended, subject to the tax under this chapter for any taxable year shall be entitled to a credit in determining the amount of tax liability under this chapter, for all or a portion, as permitted by this section, of the amount of property tax, as defined in this section, first becoming due and actually paid during such taxable year by such person on such person's primary residence or motor vehicle in accordance with this section, provided in the case of a person who files a return under the federal income tax for such taxable year as an unmarried individual, a married individual filing separately or a head of household, one motor vehicle shall be eligible for such credit and in the case of a husband and wife who file a return under federal income tax for such taxable year as married individuals filing jointly, no more than two motor vehicles shall be eligible for a credit under the provisions of this section.

(b) The credit allowed under this section shall not exceed two hundred fifteen dollars for the taxable year commencing on or after January 1, 1997, and prior to January 1, 1998; for taxable years commencing on or after January 1, 1998, but prior to January 1, 1999, three hundred fifty dollars; for taxable years commencing on or after January 1, 1999, but prior to January 1, 2000, four hundred twenty-five dollars; for taxable years commencing on or after January 1, 2000, but prior to January 1, 2003, five hundred dollars; for taxable years commencing on or after January 1, 2003, three hundred fifty dollars; for taxable years commencing on or after January 1, 2005, but prior to January 1, 2006, three hundred - 110 - ty dollars; and for taxable years

commencing on or after January 1, 2006, [four hundred dollars] there shall be no credit. In the case of any husband and wife who file a return under the federal income tax for such taxable year as married individuals filing a joint return, the credit allowed, in the aggregate, shall not exceed such amounts for each such taxable year.

(c) (1) (A) For taxable years commencing prior to January 1, 2000, in the case of any such taxpayer who files under the federal income tax for such taxable year as an unmarried individual whose Connecticut adjusted gross income exceeds fifty-two thousand five hundred dollars, the amount of the credit that exceeds one hundred dollars shall be reduced by ten per cent for each ten thousand dollars, or fraction thereof, by which the taxpayer's Connecticut adjusted gross income exceeds said amount.

(B) For taxable years commencing on or after January 1, 2000, but prior to January 1, 2001, in the case of any such taxpayer who files under the federal income tax for such taxable year as an unmarried individual whose Connecticut adjusted gross income exceeds fifty-three thousand five hundred dollars, the amount of the credit that exceeds one hundred dollars shall be reduced by ten per cent for each ten thousand dollars, or fraction thereof, by which the taxpayer's Connecticut adjusted gross income exceeds said amount.

(C) For taxable years commencing on or after January 1, 2001, but prior to January 1, 2004, in the case of any such taxpayer who files under the federal income tax for such taxable year as an unmarried individual whose Connecticut adjusted gross income exceeds fifty-four thousand five hundred dollars, the amount of the credit shall be reduced by ten per cent for each ten thousand dollars, or fraction thereof, by which the taxpayer's Connecticut adjusted gross income exceeds said amount.

(D) For taxable years commencing on or after January 1, 2004, but prior to January 1, [2007] 2006, in the case of any such taxpayer who files under the federal income tax for such taxable year as an unmarried individual whose Connecticut adjusted gross income exceeds fifty-five thousand dollars, the amount of the credit shall be reduced by ten per cent for each ten thousand dollars, or fraction thereof, by which the taxpayer's Connecticut adjusted gross income exceeds said amount.

[(E) For taxable years commencing on or after January 1, 2007, but prior to January 1, 2008, in the case of any such taxpayer who files under the federal income tax for such taxable year as an unmarried individual whose Connecticut adjusted gross income exceeds fifty-five thousand five hundred dollars, the amount of the credit shall be reduced by ten per cent for each ten thousand dollars, or fraction thereof, by which the taxpayer's Connecticut adjusted gross income exceeds said amount.

(F) For taxable years commencing on or after January 1, 2008, but prior to January 1, 2009, in the case of any such taxpayer who files under the federal income tax for such taxable year as an unmarried individual whose Connecticut adjusted gross income exceeds fifty-six thousand five hundred dollars, the amount of the credit shall be reduced by ten per cent for each ten thousand dollars, or fraction thereof, by which the taxpayer's Connecticut adjusted gross income exceeds said amount.

(G) For taxable years commencing on or after January 1, 2009, but prior to January 1, 2010, in the case of any such taxpayer who files under the federal income tax for such taxable year as an unmarried individual whose Connecticut adjusted gross income exceeds fifty-eight thousand five hundred dollars, the amount of the credit shall be reduced by ten per cent for each ten thousand dollars, or fraction thereof, by which the taxpayer's Connecticut adjusted gross income exceeds said amount.

(H) For taxable years commencing on or after January 1, 2010, but prior to January 1, 2011, in the case of any such taxpayer who files under the federal income tax for such taxable year as an unmarried individual whose Connecticut adjusted gross income exceeds sixty thousand five hundred dollars, the amount of the credit shall be reduced by ten per cent for each ten thousand dollars, or fraction thereof, by which the taxpayer's Connecticut adjusted gross income exceeds said amount.

(I) For taxable years commencing on or after January 1, 2011, but prior to January 1, 2012, in the case of any such taxpayer who files under the federal income tax for such taxable year as an unmarried individual whose Connecticut adjusted gross income exceeds sixty-two thousand five hundred dollars, the amount of the credit shall be reduced by ten per cent for each ten thousand dollars, or fraction thereof, by which the taxpayer's Connecticut adjusted gross income exceeds said amount.

(J) For taxable years commencing on or after January 1, 2012, in the case of any such taxpayer who files under the federal income tax for such taxable year as an unmarried individual whose Connecticut adjusted gross income exceeds sixty-four thousand five hundred dollars, the amount of the credit shall be reduced by ten per cent for each ten thousand dollars, or fraction thereof, by which the taxpayer's Connecticut adjusted gross income exceeds said amount.]

(2) In the case of any such taxpayer who files under the federal income tax for such taxable year as a married individual filing separately whose Connecticut adjusted gross income exceeds fifty thousand two hundred fifty dollars, the amount of the credit shall be reduced by ten per cent for each five thousand dollars, or fraction thereof, by which the taxpayer's Connecticut adjusted gross income exceeds said amount.

(3) In the case of a taxpayer who files under the federal income tax for such taxable year as a head of household whose Connecticut adjusted gross income exceeds seventy-eight thousand five hundred dollars, the amount of the credit shall be reduced by ten per cent for each ten thousand dollars or fraction thereof, by which the taxpayer's Connecticut adjusted gross income exceeds said amount.

(4) In the case of a taxpayer who files under federal income tax for such taxable year as married individuals filing jointly whose Connecticut adjusted gross income exceeds one hundred thousand five hundred dollars, the amount of the credit shall be reduced by ten per cent for each ten thousand dollars, or fraction thereof, by which the taxpayer's Connecticut adjusted gross income exceeds said amount.

(d) The credit allowed under the provisions of - 1 1 2 -tion shall be available for any person

leasing a motor vehicle pursuant to a written agreement for a term of more than one year. Such lessee shall be entitled to the credit in accordance with the provisions of this section for the taxes actually paid by the lessor or lessee on such leased vehicle, provided the lessee was lawfully in possession of the motor vehicle at such time when the taxes first became due. The lessor shall provide the lessee with documentation establishing, to the satisfaction of the Commissioner of Revenue Services, the amount of property tax paid during the time period in which the lessee was lawfully in possession of the motor vehicle. The lessor of the motor vehicle shall not be entitled to a credit under the provisions of this section.

(e) The credit may only be used to reduce such qualifying taxpayer's tax liability for the year for which such credit is applicable and shall not be used to reduce such tax liability to less than zero.

(f) The amount of tax due pursuant to sections 12-705 and 12-722 shall be calculated without regard to this credit.

(g) For the purposes of this section: (1) "Property tax" means the amount of property tax exclusive of any interest, fees or charges thereon for which a taxpayer is liable, or in the case of any husband and wife who file a return under the federal income tax for such taxable year as married individuals filing a joint return, for which the husband or wife or both are liable, to a Connecticut political subdivision on the taxpayer's primary residence or motor vehicles; (2) "motor vehicle" means a motor vehicle, as defined in section 14-1, as amended, which is privately owned or leased; and (3) property tax first becomes due, if due and payable in a single installment, on the date designated by the legislative body of the municipality as the date on which such installment shall be due and payable and, if due and payable in two or more installments, on the date designated by the legislative body of the municipality as the date on which such installment shall be due and payable or, at the election of the taxpayer, on the date designated by the legislative body of the municipality as the date on which any earlier installment of such tax shall be due and payable.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	July 1, 2006	New section
Sec. 2	July 1, 2006	New section
Sec. 3	July 1, 2006	New section
Sec. 4	July 1, 2006	3-55i
Sec. 5	July 1, 2006	3-55j
Sec. 6	July 1, 2006	3-55l
Sec. 7	July 1, 2006	22a-27j(b)
Sec. 8	July 1, 2006	New section
Sec. 9	<i>from passage and applicable to assessment years</i>	12-81

	<i>commencing on or after October 1, 2005</i>	
Sec. 10	<i>July 1, 2006</i>	14-163
Sec. 11	<i>July 1, 2006</i>	New section
Sec. 12	<i>July 1, 2006</i>	New section
Sec. 13	<i>from passage and applicable to taxable years commencing on or after January 1, 2006</i>	12-704c

Statement of Purpose:

To implement the Governor's budget recommendations.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]



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Help America Vote Act (HAVA) and Voting Machine Update Secretary of the State Susan Bysiewicz

Connecticut Council of Small Towns: "Connecticut's Town Meeting 2006"
 Tuesday, February 14, 2006

Background

- HAVA requires states to implement new electronic voting equipment so that people with disabilities can vote privately and independently
- To ensure compliance with this law, the HAVA State Planning Committee was formed in 2003
- This Committee, including a representative member from the CT Council of Small Towns, developed a State Plan for the replacement and purchase of voting equipment
- The State Plan did contemplate that the State of Connecticut would, for a time, keep our lever voting machines and provide each municipality with one fully compliant HAVA voting machine for each polling place for use by persons with disabilities
- The State of Connecticut's State Plan was accepted by the federal government as evidenced by our state receiving approximately \$33 million dollars in federal funding

Lever Voting Machines

- Pursuant to the acceptance of our state plan by the federal government, the Secretary of the State's Office had begun the procurement process in anticipation of adding one HAVA compliant fully accessible voting machine in each polling place in a municipality
- Secretary of the State Susan Bysiewicz announced on Jan. 4, 2006 that the state was stopping its procurement process for new voting technology because of an absence of qualified vendors
- This was not an easy decision for the State of Connecticut to make. The central ideals of the Help America Vote Act of 2002 - allowing those with disabilities to vote privately and independently, and requiring a paper audit trail for all elections - can only be attained with new technology
- Two state restrictions - a new law requiring a paper receipt that a voter can view to verify his vote, and an antiquated provision requiring that all candidates and offices must be listed on the same page of a ballot - made it extremely difficult to find new machines
- When it became clear during negotiations that the state had no qualified vendors, Connecticut had no other choice - despite our good-faith effort all the way - than to halt the process, to avoid wasting our federal HAVA funds

Next Steps

- A new procurement process has begun, and the Secretary of the State's Office expects more vendors to come forward. Certain vendors have recently gained federal certification that they didn't have just a few months ago
- A recent opinion from Connecticut Attorney General Richard Blumenthal indicates that Connecticut's requirement for a full-faced ballot does not apply to new electronic voting machines
- The Secretary of the State's Office is making every effort to comply with HAVA, and is working to choose new technology as soon as possible
- The federal Department of Justice has not yet ruled that lever voting machines would violate HAVA but they said that they seek to "work cooperatively with Connecticut on achieving full compliance with the Help America Vote Act"

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REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT #19
CALENDAR FOR BUDGET YEAR 2006-2007

DATE

- February 17th Superintendent's Proposed Budget Completed and Ready for Distribution.
- February 28th Budget Overview – Superintendent, Building and Grounds, Information Technology, Athletics, Library Media Center, Guidance Services, Science
Edwin O. Smith High School Media Center – 7:00 PM
- March 7th Regular District Board of Education Meeting
Edwin O. Smith High School Library Media Center – 7:30 PM
- March 14th Budget Overview – World Languages and ESL, Fine Arts, Social Studies, Mathematics, Physical Education & Health Education, , Career and Technical Education, English
Edwin O. Smith High School Media Center – 7:00 PM
- March 21st Budget Overview – Agriculture Education, Special Services, Principal's Office and District Management
Edwin O. Smith High School Media Center – 7:00 PM
- March 29th** **Public Hearing on Superintendent's Budget**
Edwin O. Smith High School Media Center – 7:00 PM
- Finance committee adopts recommended budget adjustments to Superintendent's budget and forwards to full board of education
- April 4th Regular District Board of Education Meeting
Board Adoption of Budget
Edwin O. Smith High School Library Media Center – 7:30 PM
- May 1st Annual Meeting on Budget
Edwin O. Smith High School Media Center – 7:00 PM
- May 2nd Budget Referendum held in the towns of Ashford, Mansfield and Willington

Residents from the towns of Ashford, Mansfield, and Willington are encouraged to attend all of the above meetings. The board is expected to finalize and adopt the 2006-2007 budget after all public hearings have been held. The board's adopted budget will be presented to the public at the district's annual meeting on Monday, May 1, 2006. The annual meeting will be adjourned to a referendum to be held on Tuesday, May 2, 2006.

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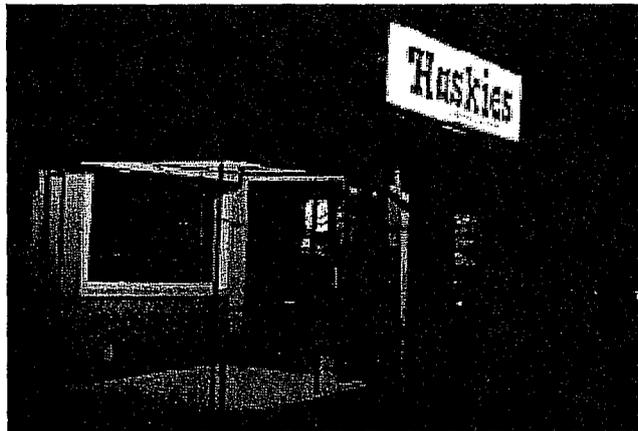
State Officials Raid Bars

By: **Katie Schwartz**

Issue date: 2/8/06 Section: [News](#)

Thirsty Thursday was well underway when students' nights were interrupted by investigations conducted by the State Liquor Commission at two local establishments.

Huskies Restaurant and Bar and Knotty Pine Café were both raided by the Mansfield Police Department in coalition with Liquor Control agents. No arrests were made at Huskies, but two minors were detained at Knotty Pine.



Media Credit: Sid Sata

Huskies Restaurant and Bar was one of two local bars raided by the State Liquor Commission on Thursday night.

According to Mansfield Police Sgt. Sean Cox, the Mansfield Police Department is working

with UConn to tackle the distribution of alcohol to minors.

"This is one of many operations planned for this year to combat underage drinking and substance abuse," Cox said. "When we review many of our criminal cases and motor vehicle accidents there seems to be a very prevalent 'common denominator'-substance abuse. People who live, work or travel through the Storrs area should plan on multiple DWI check points, undercover 'sting' operations, increased 'roving' patrols which will target acts of violence and property damage. These patrols will be conducted on foot, bicycle and in police vehicles. We will continue with our compliance checks as well."

At approximately 11 p.m. on Thursday night, patrollers entered Huskies and proceeded to thoroughly check the IDs of everyone in the bar, according to 8th-semester marketing major Natalie Fusco.

"There were some that looked undercover or not in uniform and then there were a quite a few that walked in and it said liquor agent on the back of their jackets," Fusco said. "Then they just kind of walked around and randomly checked IDs. Huskies turned the lights on and turned the music off and no one was let out of the bar for a few minutes, even if they were of age."

The environment at Huskies was considerably calm considering the situation, according to Fusco.

"It wasn't like people were running around trying to get away from them or anything but it totally killed the entire night and everyone started to leave," Fusco said. "I saw one girl outside like yelling and being dramatic because I guess they were accusing her of using a fake or just being underage. It was definitely more relaxed than I anticipated something like a raid would be, but there were so many more cops there also than I thought would be too."

"I think it was somewhat expected that Huskies would be raided because they hadn't really done it yet this year," Fusco said.

John Suchy, director of Liquor Control Division in the Department of Consumer Protection, said that while he is unable to release the 119 of the underage kids arrested and the penalties that the bars face considering the event is still under investigation.

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UConn fact sheet 2006

Campus Information

Founded 1881
 Main Campus: Storrs
 5 Regional Campuses:
 Avery Point, Greater Hartford, Stamford, Torrington, Waterbury
 School of Law: Hartford
 School of Social Work: Greater Hartford Campus
 Health Center: Farmington
 (Schools of Medicine & Dental Medicine, graduate programs,
 medical & dental clinics & John Dempsey Hospital)
 Land Grant & Sea Grant College, & Space Grant consortium institution
 Storrs & Regionals = 4,104 acres; Health Center = 162 acres

UCONN 2000

As of October 2005:

- 85 major projects completed
- \$1.218 billion in construction-related contracts issued
 - 88% of funds to Connecticut contractors
 - 23% of funds to set-aside contractors
- Over 9.1 million square feet of new and renovated space completed
- Bond Credit Ratings by Fitch, Moody's and Standard & Poor's remain consistently strong

Academic Programs & Degrees

17 Schools & Colleges

Agriculture & Natural Resources, Allied Health,
 Business, Continuing Studies, Dental Medicine,
 Neag Education, Engineering, Family Studies,
 Fine Arts, Graduate, Law, Liberal Arts & Sciences,
 Medicine, Nursing, Pharmacy, Ratcliffe Hicks, Social Work

8 undergraduate degrees: 103 majors

14 graduate degrees: 88 fields of study

5 professional degree programs (J.D., LL.M., M.D., D.M.D., Pharm.D.)

Degrees 2004-05	6,075
Bachelor's	3,816
Master's	1,458
Doctorates	261
Law (J.D., LL.M.)	229
Pharm.D.	76
Medicine	73
Dental Medicine	36
Graduate/Professional Certificates	37
6 Yr. Education	60
2 Yr. Agriculture	29

Degrees by: Female 55% Minority 14%

Fall 2005 Entering Freshmen at Main Campus: 3,260

37% were in top 10% of High School Class

80% were in top 25% of High School Class

49 valedictorians and 58 salutatorians

61% more freshmen than in Fall 95

111% more minority freshmen than in Fall 95

Since 1995: 679 valedictorians and salutatorians enrolled at all campuses

Total Fall 2005 Student Enrollment: 28,083

16,112	Undergraduate at Main Campus
4,413	Undergraduate at Regional Campuses
	20,525 Subtotal Undergraduate
6,180	Graduate (M.A./Ph.D., incl. 390 at Health Center)
717	Law
176	Pharm.D.
319	Medicine
166	Dental Medicine
	7,558 Subtotal Graduate/Professional

Student Characteristics

Characteristics Fall 2005	Undergraduate 20,525	Grad/Professional 7,558
Female	53%	53%
Minority	19%	14%
International ¹	1%	16%
Connecticut Residents ²	80%	73%
Full-time Degree	87%	60%
Part-time Degree	8%	32%
Non-Degree (FT & PT)	4%	8%

¹ 109 countries were represented in the 2004-05 international student population.

² 76% of undergraduates on Main Campus are Connecticut residents.

Total Undergraduate Student Cost 2005-06

	In-State	Out-of-State
Tuition, Fees, Room ¹ & Board	\$15,616	\$28,120
Tuition Only	\$6,096	\$18,600

¹ 72% of Main Campus undergraduates live in campus housing (114 residential facilities).

Student Financial Aid 2004-05

Financial Aid Support: \$231.1 million

	Main Campus/ Regional ¹	Health Center
Total Scholarships & Grants	\$67.8 million	\$2.8 million
Total Loans	101.1 million	12.1 million
Total Student Employment	13.5 million	
Total Tuition Waivers	33.8 million	

¹ 37% of all tuition dollars are dedicated to financial aid.

SAT Scores and Retention & Graduation

2005 SAT Scores	National High School	Connecticut High School	Storrs Entering Freshmen
Average SAT Total	1028	1034	1189
Main Campus: Freshmen Retention:	All	Minority	
	1-Year Rate	92%	93%
	2-Year Rate	84%	82%
Graduation:	6-Year Rate	72%	66%

UConn's Main Campus ranks 20 out of 58 public research universities in graduation rate for all freshmen and 18 out of 58 public research universities for minority freshmen. (Sources: U.S. News 2006 America's Best Colleges & 2004 IPEDS Graduation Rate Survey)

Total Current Funds Budget FY 2006: \$1,432.8 million

MAIN CAMPUS & REGIONAL CAMPUSES

Revenue	In Millions
State Appropriation	\$205.2
State Fringe Benefits & Other Adjustments	75.8
Student Tuition & Fees	334.4
Gifts, Grants & Contracts	133.0
Sales/Services - Auxiliary Events	34.0
Sales/Services - Educational	12.5
Investment Income	3.3
Total	\$798.2
Expenditures	
Academic Services	\$354.4
Research Services	74.5
Student Services	248.0
Operating, Support & Physical Plant Services	129.3
Total*	\$806.2

* The net loss of \$8.0 million is the result of a \$1.0 million repayment to reserves and a \$9.0 million loss for planned equipment expenditures.

HEALTH CENTER

Revenue	In Millions
Patient Revenue	\$281.4
State Appropriation	76.0
State Fringe Benefits & Other Adjustments	26.6
Gifts, Grants & Contracts	98.6
Sales/Services - Auxiliary	14.0
Interns & Residents Support	30.9
Correctional Managed Health Care	84.2
Student Tuition & Fees	13.4
Endowment Income	4.1
Investment Income	1.1
Other Income	4.3
Total	\$634.6
Expenditures	
Hospital & Health Services	\$344.1
Academic Services	112.5
Research Services	98.8
Student Services	1.6
Operating, Support & Physical Plant Services	76.9
Total	\$633.9

Private Giving

- Total cash gifts amounted to \$56.2 million for FY 05, the second highest total in the University's history.
- In FY 05, first-time gifts and commitments totaled \$21 million at the Health Center, a record amount for a single year; \$16.8 million for Athletics, also a record; and \$18 million at Storrs and the regional campuses.
- The Annual Fund raised a record \$3.028 million in unrestricted gifts from 26,787 donors in FY 05.
- UConn alumni rank seventh in the nation among public universities with an annual giving rate of 24 percent, according to *US News & World Report*.
- At the close of FY 05, the University's endowment, which stood at \$42 million at the start of 1995, is now valued at about \$272 million.
- At the close of FY 05, total assets of the UConn Foundation reached \$343 million, the highest amount ever and a 10 percent increase over 2004.
- The University received \$27.9 million in program support in FY 05, a nearly 20 percent increase over the previous fiscal year.

UConn Alumni

- Approximately 170,600 total Alumni
- Over 99,500 Alumni live in Connecticut
- Among recent graduates:
 - 96% of recent graduates would recommend UConn to others
 - 92% of recent graduates are either employed or are in graduate/professional school
 - 70% of those working full-time are doing so in Connecticut

Staff Characteristics (Fall 2005)

Number of Full-time & Part-time Faculty & Staff: 9,025

	Main Campus/Regional	Health Center
	4,381	4,644
Faculty:		
Female	35%	37%
Minority	17%	19%
Other Staff:		
Female	57%	75%
Minority	15%	21%
Full-Time:	94%	77%

	Main Campus/Regional	Health Center
Full-time Faculty	1,251	498
Tenured	63%	33%

Percent of full-time faculty with Ph.D. or terminal degree:¹

Main Campus & Regional Campuses	92%
Health Center	93%

¹Percent of faculty with highest degree in field.

	Main Campus/Regional	Health Center
Type of Full-time Staff	4,130	3,577
Faculty ²	30.3%	13.9%
Administrators	2.2%	4.4%
Professional Support	43.5%	45.6%
Secretarial/Clerical	7.4%	17.0%
Para-Professional/Trades	3.6%	14.3%
Service/Maintenance	13.0%	4.8%

²At Main Campus, includes 21 faculty members serving as assistant or associate deans.

Number of Part-time

Faculty and Staff ³	251	1,067
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³An additional 652 adjunct lecturers teach one or more courses at Storrs and Regional Campuses.

Staff Covered by Collective Bargaining Agreements:

Main & Regional Campuses	92%
Health Center	77%

Research, Training & Public Service

Nationally ranked 74/630 among all institutions and 51/378 among public institutions by the National Science Foundation in research and development spending for FY 03 (latest report).

FY 05 external funding, sponsored activities: \$184 million (excluding financial aid):

Main & Regional Campuses:	\$91.5 million (49.7%)
Health Center:	\$92.5 million (50.3%)

Total by Funding Source

Federal: 78.2% State: 6.9% Private/Other: 14.9%

Sponsored Activities at Main & Regional Campuses

Research	80.4%
Education and Training Programs	3.5%
Public Service and Other	16.1%

Sponsored Activities at the Health Center

Research	85.8%
Industry Support	6.5%
Education and Training Programs	6.5%
Other	1.2%

University of Connecticut Web Sites

Main & Regional Campuses - <http://www.uconn.edu>
Health Center - <http://www.uchc.edu>